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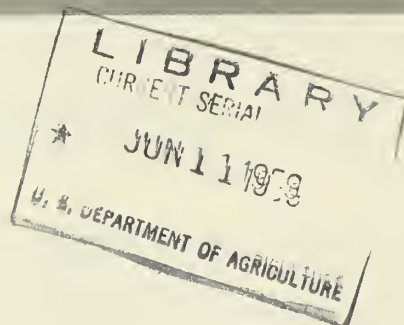
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U. S. TOBACCO EXPORTS DOWN

SLIGHTLY IN 1958

U. S. exports of unmanufactured tobacco in calendar 1958, at 482.3 million pounds (export weight), were 3.7 percent below those of 1957. The value of 1958 exports, at \$354.4 million, was only 1.3 percent below the record 1957 value.

The level of exports in 1958 was higher than expected early in the year. Among the favorable factors working to limit the decline in exports were: (1) improved gold and dollar reserves position in Western Europe, the major market area; (2) increasing cigarette consumption abroad, with stronger demand for cigarettes containing kinds of tobacco produced in the United States; (3) a larger U. S. crop in 1958, with flue-cured up about 100 million pounds from 1957, resulting in increased availabilities from current production; (4) a smaller-than-anticipated 1958 harvest in the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland, the principal competitor in world trade.

These favorable factors tended to offset to a considerable extent the record high prices paid to U. S. growers for the 1958 crop of flue-cured, and the large foreign supplies of competitive tobaccos available for export at prices generally lower than those for similar U. S. tobaccos.

Shipments under Title I of Public Law 480 in calendar 1958 amounted to about 37 million pounds (export weight)--equivalent to about 8 percent of total exports.

Exports in calendar 1959 are likely to drop somewhat from the 1958 level. A record crop is forecast this year for the Rhodesias and Nyasaland, where production of flue-cured is expected to reach at least 185 million pounds, compared with 156 million a year ago. The Indian flue-cured crop is also expected to be larger than last year. U. S. prices for 1959 tobacco may be as high as they were for the 1958 crop.

Flue-cured exports in 1958 totaled 398.7 million pounds (export weight) compared with 417.7 million in 1957--a decrease of 4.5 percent. The declared value of flue-cured exports last year was \$294.8 million--down 3.1 percent from 1957. The United Kingdom, as usual, was the leading foreign market for flue-cured in 1958, taking 157.1 million pounds, or 39 percent of the total. In 1957 that country purchased 164.1 million pounds. The second largest market for flue-cured tobacco in 1958 was West Germany with 67.7 million pounds, up from 52.4 million in 1957. Countries increasing their purchases from 1957 to 1958 included Spain, Finland, Egypt, Japan, Ireland, and the Philippines. Exports to Belgium, France, Denmark, the Netherlands, Thailand, Sweden, Australia, and Switzerland declined. The average declared export valuation per pound for flue-cured in 1958 was 73.9 cents, compared with 72.9 cents in 1957.

Burley exports rose sharply in 1958, amounting to 28.8 million pounds, compared with 20.5 million in 1957. West Germany, which took 7 million pounds in 1958, was the largest purchaser. Sweden's takings at 6.6 million pounds were nearly 4 times as large as those of 1957. Gains also occurred in exports to Portugal, Mexico, Italy, Egypt, the Netherlands, and Norway. Declines were noted for Switzerland and Uruguay. Average declared export valuation per pound for Burley in 1958 was 79.8 cents, compared with 76.3 cents in 1957 and 58.7 cents in 1956.

Kentucky-Tennessee fire-cured exports of 19.7 million pounds in 1958 were 10.4 percent lower than the 22.0 million shipped out in 1957, and 18.5 percent lower than those for 1956. The Netherlands took 4.8 million pounds in 1958 (compared with 6.3 million in 1957) and was the most important customer for Kentucky-Tennessee fire-cured. Decreases also occurred in exports to Belgium, Italy, Switzerland, and Egypt. Exports to France, however, rose to 3.9 million pounds, compared with 2.5 million in 1957. The average declared export valuation per pound for Kentucky-Tennessee fire-cured last year was 43.8 cents, compared with 48.6 cents in 1957.

Virginia fire-cured and sun-cured exports last year totaled 4.6 million pounds. This was 12.7 percent under 1957 exports. Small gains in exports to Norway and the United Kingdom were more than offset by drops in shipments to Austria and Sweden. Export prices averaged 68.8 cents per pound in 1958, compared with 63.9 cents in 1957.

Exports of Maryland in 1958 were 11.9 million pounds--down 12.4 percent from the extremely high-level 1957 exports of 13.5 million. Switzerland continued to be the most important market for Maryland leaf last year, taking 6.5 million pounds, or 54 percent of total exports. Portugal, with 1.2 million, ranked second. Other principal markets last year included the Netherlands, West Germany, Tunisia, France, and Spain. The average declared export valuation for Maryland was 65.7 cents per pound in 1958 and 63.7 cents in 1957.

Green River exports in 1958 totaled 1.2 million pounds, compared with 1.6 million in 1957. The United Kingdom and Portugal, combined, took three-fourths of Green River exports last year. The Union of South Africa, which purchased 652,000 pounds of Green River tobacco in 1957, bought none in 1958. Export prices averaged 42.9 cents in 1958, compared with 38.8 cents in 1957.

One Sucker exports in 1958, at 900,000 pounds, were only about one-third as large as those for 1957. The Union of South Africa, which took 900,000 pounds in 1957, took none in 1958. Exports to Portugal dropped from 377,000 pounds in 1957 to only 46,000 in 1958. Belgium purchased about one-half million pounds in 1958, accounting for 57 percent of total exports. The average export price for One Sucker in 1958 was 42.2 cents per pound, compared with 35.9 cents in 1957.

Black Fat exports totaled 4.9 million pounds in 1958--a rise of about 10 percent from 1957. Exports to Ghana, the Canary Islands, French West Africa, and the Cameroun were larger last year than in 1957. These gains more than offset a small decline in shipments to Nigeria. The average export price of Black Fat last year was 80.3 cents per pound, compared with 80.8 cents in the previous year.

Cigar leaf exports, totaling 7.3 million pounds last year, were 13.8 percent below those for 1957. West Germany continued to be the principal market for cigar tobacco last year, taking 3.9 million pounds, or 53.8 percent of total exports. Exports of cigar wrapper rose to 4.7 million pounds from 4.5 million in 1957. Exports of binder, at about 2 million pounds, were little more than one-half as large as those for 1957. Cigar filler exports, however, rose to 571,000 pounds, compared with only 99,000 in 1957. The value of all cigar leaf exports was \$11.4 million in 1958, compared with \$10.4 million for the previous year.

Perique exports at 98,000 pounds were about the same as in 1957. Norway and the United Kingdom were the leading markets last year.

Exports of stems, trimmings, and scrap totaled 4.2 million pounds in 1958, about 10 percent less than exports in 1957. The United Kingdom was the largest market, with West Germany second.

(A detailed table of exports, by kind, follows. A summary table appears at the end of this circular.)

(Declared weight)

Country of destination	1957			1958			Country of destination			1957			1958		
	Quantity	Value		Quantity	Value					Quantity	Value		Quantity	Value	
	1,000 pounds	1,000 dollars		1,000 pounds	1,000 dollars					1,000 pounds	1,000 dollars		1,000 pounds	1,000 dollars	
Total all types:							Total all types (cont'd):								
North America:							Europe:								
Canada.....	880	2,141		978	2,466		Czechoslovakia.....			31	43		101	137	
Mexico.....	3,216	2,530		4,900	3,983		Finland.....			4,233	2,224		5,323	2,742	
Panama Canal Zone.....	3	1		11	14		Germany, East.....			99	140		123	210	
British Honduras.....	41	25		36	19		Poland.....			204	100		--	--	
Costa Rica.....	132	144		148	166		Yugoslavia.....			8	7		--	--	
El Salvador.....	509	376		355	270		Azores.....			41	25		34	21	
Guatemala.....	707	645		492	467		Malta, Goza & Cyprus.....			1,095	799		415	296	
Honduras.....	171	141		65	58		U.S.S.R.			--	--		1	1	
Nicaragua.....	613	454		570	408		Africa:								
Panama, Republic of.....	215	159		328	297		Algeria.....			939	603		419	277	
Bahamas.....	147	50		105	33		Egypt.....			7,536	4,710		8,424	5,777	
Dominican Republic.....	31	29		13	14		Libya.....			--	--		2	2	
Haiti.....	155	141		221	209		Morocco.....			1,454	408		350	50	
Jamaica.....	1	1		67	41		Tunisia.....			473	217		744	341	
Leeward & Windward Islands..	459	481		288	324		Canary Islands.....			663	376		846	500	
Barbados.....	32	34		17	9		Spanish Africa.....			237	125		659	187	
Netherlands Antilles.....	5	4		2	2		Angola.....			115	54		581	347	
South America:							Belgian Congo.....			1,136	614		2,342	1,100	
Brazil.....	22	41		141	323		Camerouns.....			525	288		400	216	
British Guiana.....	328	249		203	155		French Equatorial Africa....			243	75		191	62	
Chile.....	138	103		369	317		French West Africa.....			611	340		777	435	
Colombia.....	--	--		22	76		Ghana.....			1,188	1,049		1,272	1,140	
Paraguay.....	6	2		--	--		Liberia.....			17	8		--	--	
Peru.....	2	1		184	176		Madagascar.....			--	--		7	2	
Surinam.....	156	116		116	79		Mozambique.....			61	39		41	27	
Uruguay.....	2,391	2,229		831	810		Nigeria.....			3,851	3,257		3,572	3,097	
Venezuela.....	89	102		34	39		Seychelles.....			--	--		19	17	
French Guiana.....	--	--		1	1		Madeira Islands.....			24	13		18	18	
Europe:							Western Portuguese Africa....			9	5		--	--	
Austria.....	1,740	1,243		4,775	2,723		Mauritius.....			51	44		88	80	
Belgium-Luxembourg.....	17,479	8,414		14,379	6,599		Union of South Africa.....			1,665	464		44	40	
Denmark.....	13,344	8,989		11,964	5,282		British East Africa.....			1	1		204	183	
France.....	7,543	4,817		8,239	5,563		Asia:								
Germany, West.....	68,946	46,793		81,560	59,919		Israel.....			460	305		284	198	
Ireland.....	9,917	7,588		13,455	10,547		Jordan.....			762	643		810	821	
Italy.....	5,648	4,548		7,201	5,808		Lebanon.....			259	121		359	261	
Netherlands.....	31,671	15,982		22,828	11,559		Syria.....			37	30		48	38	
Norway.....	7,414	4,772		7,469	5,116		Aden.....			1,423	1,026		368	216	
Portugal.....	5,846	2,886		7,069	3,599		Burma.....			1,079	926		627	558	
Spain.....	2,777	2,051		5,698	3,804		Ceylon.....			1,099	964		2,685	2,280	
Sweden.....	14,818	11,660		11,596	9,519		Taiwan.....			2,639	2,732		2,973	2,923	
Switzerland.....	14,211	10,564		10,401	7,793		Indonesia.....			11,519	7,510		1,656	1,160	
United Kingdom.....	166,471	128,394		160,441	124,290		Japan.....			3,582	3,332		11,153	10,410	
Iceland.....	53	8		109	20		Korea, South.....			2,417	2,117		--	--	
Gibraltar.....	92	16		--	--		Malaya 2/.....			145	106		144	90	

Asia (cont'd):	2,871	2,563	265	235	Flue-cured (cont'd):	3,078	4,427	3,048
Pakistan.....	76	191	5,012	2,800	Europe:	4,650	4,427	3,048
Philippines.....	13,495	9,896	9,247	6,700	Norway.....	2,977	2,586	1,354
Thailand.....	5,434	3,496	4,851	3,155	Portugal.....	2,194	5,182	3,560
Vietnam, Cambodia & Laos.....	3,250	2,052	2,848	1,796	Spain.....	10,824	3,618	3,070
Hong Kong.....	815	310	734	269	Sweden.....	4,083	1,985	1,365
Nansei & Nampo Islands.....					Switzerland.....	164,082	157,117	122,852
Oceania:					United Kingdom.....	3,668	4,427	2,196
Australia.....	38,230	30,662	26,337	21,629	Finland.....	16	23	12
New Zealand.....	6,309	5,132	6,346	5,293	Azores.....	1,072	403	289
British Western Pacific Islands.....	29	23	115	84	Malta, Gozo & Cyprus.....	787	403	289
New Guinea.....	--	--	162	58	U.S.S.R.	--	1	1
Trust Territory of Pacific Islands.....	--	--			Africa:			
Estimated shipments 3/.....					Algeria.....	327	254	151
Total.....	500,955	359,126	482,341	354,395	Egypt.....	3,654	6,479	4,664
Flue-cured:					Morocco.....	242	--	--
North America:					Tunisia.....	36	93	64
Canada.....	82	70	--	--	Canary Islands.....	71	30	15
Mexico.....	1,543	1,152	2,279	1,787	Angola.....	19	523	318
Panama Canal Zone.....	--	--	1	1	Belgian Congo.....	280	757	521
British Honduras.....	17	11	10	5	Cameroon.....	81	--	--
Costa Rica.....	92	96	104	111	French Equatorial Africa.....	62	92	29
El Salvador.....	504	370	355	270	Mozambique.....	31	19	14
Guatemala.....	488	433	351	322	Nigeria.....	1,193	1,320	1,068
Honduras.....	161	129	56	47	Madeira Islands.....	13	13	16
Nicaragua.....	436	292	392	263	Western Portuguese Africa.....	5	--	--
Panama, Republic of.....	111	100	192	181	Mauritius.....	44	88	80
Haiti.....	108	96	160	152	Union of South Africa.....	39	44	39
Jamaica.....	--	--	27	19	British East Africa.....	1	204	183
Trinidad and Tobago.....	22	24	12	13	Asia:			
Leeward & Windward Islands.....	21	29	--	--	Israel.....	455	281	193
Barbados.....	5	4	2	2	Jordan.....	397	617	781
Netherlands Antilles.....	15	12	48	38	Lebanon.....	77	146	195
South America:					Syria.....	37	48	38
British Guiana.....	310	240	184	146	Aden.....	47	14	14
Chile.....	138	103	277	241	Burma.....	1,423	368	216
Colombia.....	--	--	1	1	Ceylon.....	1,079	926	558
Paraguay.....	6	2	--	--	Taiwan.....	1,099	2,685	2,280
Peru.....	--	--	97	73	India.....	2,634	2,727	2,904
Surinam.....	149	111	111	73	Indonesia.....	10,520	6,908	1,129
Uruguay.....	1,814	1,676	785	765	Japan.....	3,577	1,597	1,149
Venezuela.....	79	84	25	21	Korea, South.....	2,168	1,328	10,407
Europe:					Malaya 2/.....	118	--	--
Austria.....	299	162	4,341	2,259	Pakistan.....	2,871	144	90
Belgium-Luxembourg.....	12,968	6,262	11,281	5,212	Philippines.....	--	265	235
Denmark.....	11,689	7,993	10,165	6,961	Thailand.....	13,457	4,823	2,569
France.....	3,909	2,739	2,938	2,370	Vietnam, Cambodia & Laos.....	4,134	9,074	6,556
Germany, West.....	52,382	34,455	67,722	47,486	Hong Kong.....	2,710	3,694	2,716
Ireland.....	9,673	7,472	13,203	10,411	Nansei & Nampo Islands.....	810	2,445	1,537
Italy.....	3,220	2,486	4,790	3,723	Oceania:		734	269
Netherlands.....	23,614	11,827	15,358	7,781	Australia.....	37,801	25,846	21,229
					New Zealand.....	6,117	6,083	5,126
					British Western Pacific Islands.....	29	115	84

See footnotes at end of tables.

TOBACCO, UNMANUFACTURED: United States exports by country of destination, total and types, calendar years 1957 and 1958 1/

(Declared weight)

Country of destination	1957			1958			1957			1958		
	Quantity	Value		Quantity	Value		Quantity	Value		Quantity	Value	
	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000		1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	
	pounds	dollars	dollars	pounds	dollars	dollars	pounds	dollars	dollars	pounds	dollars	dollars
Flue-cured (cont'd):												
Estimated shipments 3/.....	--	--	59	22								
Burley (cont'd):												
Estimated shipments 3/.....	417,679	304,341	398,742	294,815								
Total.....	1,619	1,321	2,446	2,049								
North America:												
Mexico.....	--	--	10	13								
Panama Canal Zone.....	3	2	7	3								
British Honduras.....	40	48	44	55								
Costa Rica.....	5	6	--	--								
El Salvador.....	152	160	125	132								
Guatemala.....	8	10	8	10								
Honduras.....	177	162	178	145								
Nicaragua.....	24	27	67	81								
Panama, Republic of.....	46	42	61	57								
Haiti.....	309	369	223	271								
Trinidad and Tobago.....	--	--	92	76								
South America:												
Chile.....	--	--	2	2								
Colombia.....	--	--	41	38								
Peru.....	471	506	20	18								
Uruguay.....	6	7	7	9								
Venezuela.....	68	55	37	17								
Europe:												
Austria.....	424	249	553	312								
Belgium-Luxembourg.....	690	518	784	630								
Denmark.....	506	400	730	605								
France.....	7,510	5,178	6,958	5,419								
Germany, West.....	11	6	2	--								
Ireland.....	865	778	1,981	1,727								
Italy.....	366	239	847	557								
Netherlands.....	914	639	1,103	848								
Norway.....	1,290	855	2,414	1,499								
Portugal.....	1,777	1,440	6,622	5,715								
Sweden.....	787	680	259	190								
Switzerland.....	159	128	205	163								
United Kingdom.....	116	77	561	422								
Finland.....	23	12	--	--								
Malta, Gozo & Cyprus.....	--	--	2	2								
Azores.....	119	76	63	45								
Africa:												
Algeria.....	886	793	1,017	955								
Egypt.....	--	--	55	39								
Tunisia.....	11	6	18	9								
Angola.....	--	--	--	--								
Asia:												
Israel.....	3	2	--	--								
Jordan.....	1	1	3	3								
Lebanon.....	19	17	8	6								
India.....	2	2	3	2								
Korea, South.....	249	214	--	--								
Malaya 2/.....	20	16	--	--								
Philippines.....	15	8	97	52								
Thailand.....	29	25	158	129								
Vietnam, Cambodia & Laos.....	4	3	--	--								
Hong Kong.....	485	321	399	241								
Oceania:												
Australia.....	198	189	--	--								
New Zealand.....	--	--	4	3								
Estimated shipments 3/.....	--	--	5	4								
Total.....	20,498	15,650	28,834	23,010								
Dark-fired Kentucky- Tennessee:												
North America:												
Canada.....	25	14	36	20								
Mexico.....	--	--	2	1								
Panama Canal Zone.....	3	1	--	--								
Bahamas.....	110	37	66	21								
British Honduras.....	21	12	19	11								
Guatemala.....	66	50	15	12								
Panama, Republic of.....	80	32	69	35								
Jamaica.....	1	1	--	--								
Trinidad and Tobago.....	18	9	--	--								
Leeward & Windward Islands.....	5	2	13	7								
Netherlands Antilles.....	--	--	4	1								
South America:												
Brazil.....	1	1	1	1								
British Guiana.....	18	9	19	9								
French Guiana.....	--	--	1	1								
Peru.....	--	--	46	41								
Surinam.....	--	--	--	--								

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(Declared weight)

Country of destination	1957			1958			1957			1958		
	Quantity	Value		Quantity	Value		Quantity	Value		Quantity	Value	
	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
	pounds	dollars	dollars	pounds	dollars	dollars	pounds	dollars	dollars	pounds	dollars	dollars
Maryland (cont'd):												
Europe:												
Azores.....	2	1	--	--	--	--						
Africa:												
Algeria.....	68	22	14	39	14	14						
Egypt.....	--	--	5	5	5	5						
Tunisia.....	331	165	229	574	229	229						
Mozambique.....	2	1	1	2	1	1						
Asia:												
Thailand.....	4	4	15	15	15	15						
Vietnam, Cambodia & Laos.....	--	--	82	195	82	82						
Estimated shipments 3/.....	--	--	16	28	16	16						
Total.....	13,534	8,625	11,853	7,789								
Green River:												
North America:												
Bahamas.....	15	5	18	6								
Europe:												
Belgium-Luxembourg.....	164	58	133	48	48	48						
Ireland.....	--	--	22	10	10	10						
Netherlands.....	2	1	--	--	--	--						
Portugal.....	--	--	427	135	135	135						
United Kingdom.....	537	309	464	261	261	261						
Africa:												
Belgian Congo.....	189	63	61	22	22	22						
French West Africa.....	10	6	--	--	--	--						
Union of South Africa.....	652	169	--	--	--	--						
Asia:												
Indonesia.....	55	19	--	--	--	--						
Oceania:												
Australia.....	15	6	20	9	9	9						
Estimated shipments 3/.....	--	--	--	--	--	--						
Total.....	1,639	636	1,154	495								
One Sucker:												
North America:												
Trinidad and Tobago.....	40	25	14	10	10	10						
Europe:												
Belgium-Luxembourg.....	828	341	503	190	190	190						
Denmark.....	58	22	24	8	8	8						
Germany, West.....	17	6	--	--	--	--						
Netherlands.....	11	5	12	5	5	5						
Total.....	4,476	3,616	4,345	3,971								
One Sucker (cont'd):												
Europe:												
Norway.....	11	5	36	15	15	15						
Portugal.....	377	121	46	14	14	14						
Switzerland.....	--	--	12	6	6	6						
Finland.....	293	141	165	93	93	93						
Africa:												
Tunisia.....	--	--	22	9	9	9						
Angola.....	55	26	30	14	14	14						
Belgian Congo.....	--	--	4	1	1	1						
Mozambique.....	5	3	11	6	6	6						
Union of South Africa.....	915	241	--	--	--	--						
Asia:												
Hong Kong.....	11	5	--	--	--	--						
Oceania:												
New Guinea.....	--	--	5	2	2	2						
Total.....	2,621	941	884	373								
Black Fat:												
North America:												
Bahamas.....	20	6	21	6	6	6						
Trinidad and Tobago.....	5	2	--	--	--	--						
Leeward & Windward Islands.....	6	2	4	2	2	2						
Netherlands Antilles.....	34	11	23	7	7	7						
South America:												
Surinam.....	5	2	--	--	--	--						
Europe:												
Italy.....	--	--	4	2	2	2						
United Kingdom.....	16	9	17	13	13	13						
Africa:												
Egypt.....	1	1	--	--	--	--						
Libya.....	--	--	2	2	2	2						
Canary Islands.....	57	32	245	135	135	135						
Spanish Africa.....	117	65	73	40	40	40						
Camerouns.....	261	141	376	206	206	206						
French Equatorial Africa.....	11	6	4	2	2	2						
French West Africa.....	396	225	577	330	330	330						
Ghana.....	1,187	1,048	1,272	1,140	1,140	1,140						
Nigeria.....	2,356	2,063	2,252	2,029	2,029	2,029						
Seychelles.....	--	--	19	17	17	17						
Asia:												
Thailand.....	4	3	--	--	--	--						
Estimated shipments 3/.....	--	--	56	40	40	40						
Total.....	4,476	3,616	4,345	3,971								

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Country of destination	(Declared weight)							
	1957		1958		1957		1958	
	Quantity : 1,000 pounds	Value : 1,000 dollars	Quantity : 1,000 pounds	Value : 1,000 dollars	Quantity : 1,000 pounds	Value : 1,000 dollars	Quantity : 1,000 pounds	Value : 1,000 dollars
Cigar binder:								
North America:								
Canada.....	33	38	35	41	--	--	3	3
Mexico.....	--	--	111	82	--	--	93	35
Dominican Republic.....	29	27	12	11	--	--	43	25
Jamaica.....	--	--	40	22				
South America:								
Peru.....	2	1	--	--	29	6	--	--
Europe:					43	12	--	--
Austria.....	146	180	91	110	--	--	353	135
Belgium-Luxembourg.....	557	338	194	161				
Denmark.....	62	46	223	206				
France.....	2	2	45	54				
Germany, West.....	2,381	1,550	852	715				
Netherlands.....	232	123	244	164				
Norway.....	45	34	--	--				
Sweden.....	126	168	67	84				
Switzerland.....	8	9	39	53				
Poland.....	177	89	--	--				
Africa:								
Algeria.....	2	3	12	19				
Canary Islands.....	57	35	7	4				
Asia:								
Israel.....	2	1	--	--				
Oceania:								
Australia.....	2	3	3	2				
Estimated shipments 3/.....	--	--	8	12				
Total.....	3,863	2,647	1,983	1,740				
Cigar filler:								
North America:								
Canada.....	13	5	78	141				
South America:								
Surinam.....	--	--	1	1				
Europe:								
Belgium-Luxembourg.....	14	6	--	--				
Estimated shipments 3/.....								
Total.....	95	91	91	91				
Cigar filler (cont'd):								
Europe:								
Denmark.....								
France.....								
Switzerland.....								
Africa:								
Algeria.....								
Egypt.....								
Asia:								
Vietnam, Cambodia & Laos.....								
Total.....	99	29	571	340				
Perique:								
North America:								
Canada.....								
South America:								
Colombia.....								
Uruguay.....								
Europe:								
Denmark.....								
Germany, West.....								
Italy.....								
Netherlands.....								
Norway.....								
Sweden.....								
Switzerland.....								
United Kingdom.....								
Africa:								
French West Africa.....								
Ghana.....								
Asia:								
Thailand.....								
Oceania:								
Australia.....								
Estimated shipments 3/.....								
Total.....	95	91	91	91				

U. S. EXPORTS OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS - 1958

United States exports of all tobacco products in 1958 were valued at \$85.2 million--or about 16 percent above the 1957 export value.

Cigarettes.--Exports of cigarettes in 1958, at 18.1 billion pieces, valuation \$76.6 million, compared with 1957 exports of 17.0 billion with a valuation of \$67.5 million. The upward trend which began in 1956 was continued last year. Principal foreign outlets for U. S. cigarettes in 1958 included the following in order of importance: Venezuela, Morocco, France, Hong Kong, Belgium-Luxembourg, Malaya, Netherlands Antilles, Sweden, Kuwait, Italy, West Germany, Netherlands, and Cuba. Each of these countries took more than 400 million cigarettes last year, with Venezuela, the largest market, purchasing 2,503 million pieces. Significant increases from 1957 to 1958 were noted for the Netherlands Antilles, Colombia, Belgium-Luxembourg, Morocco, and Syria. Sharp drops occurred last year in exports to the Republic of Panama, Ecuador, and French West Africa.

Cigars and Cheroots.--The 1958 exports of cigars and cheroots totaled 9.3 million pieces, valued at \$423,000. Both quantity and value were a little larger than in 1957. Canada was the leading market for cigars last year, purchasing 2.6 million.

Smoking Tobacco in Packages.--Exports of smoking tobacco in packages in 1958 rose about 12 percent above 1957--to 677,000 pounds compared with 607,000. The largest foreign markets for this product last year included Canada, Sweden, Italy, Denmark, France, West Germany, and Iceland. Canada took almost one-third of total exports.

Smoking Tobacco in Bulk.--Spain, with 1,674,000 pounds, and the Republic of Panama, with 1,035,000 were the largest purchasers of smoking tobacco in bulk in 1958. Total exports of smoking tobacco in bulk, at about 6.9 million pounds last year were 56 percent above 1957.

Chewing Tobacco and Snuff.--Exports of chewing tobacco and snuff in 1958 totaled 1.3 million pounds--down 12 percent from 1957. Australia continued as the largest purchaser, taking nearly two-thirds of total exports.

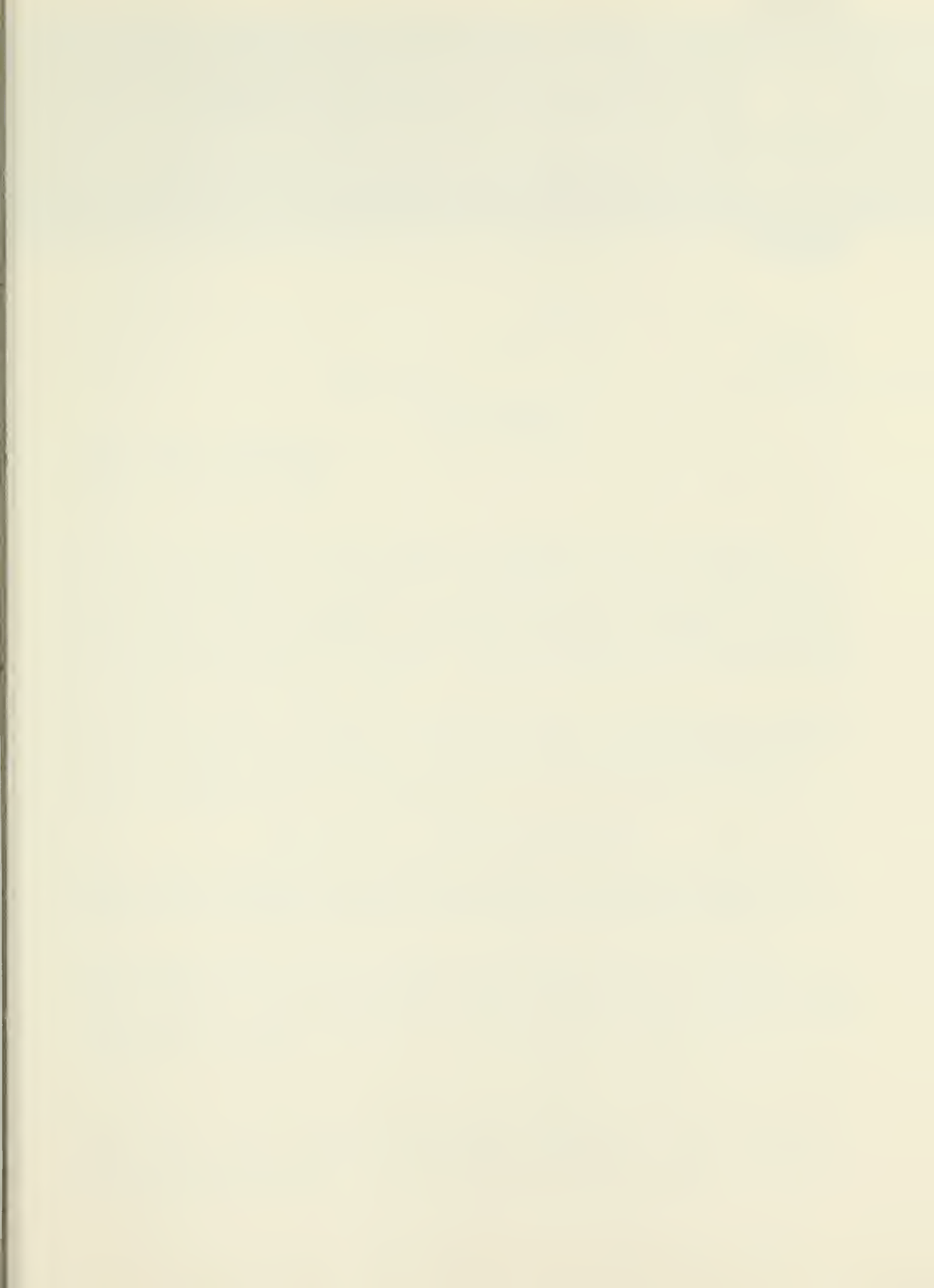
Country of destination	Cigarettes		Cigars and Cheroots		Smoking Tobacco in Packages		Smoking Tobacco in Bulk		Chewing Tobacco and Snuff	
	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958
	million pieces	million pieces	1,000 pieces	1,000 pieces	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds
Canada.....	328.4	308.5	2,880	2,574	235	215	1	1	16	25
Mexico.....	62.5	75.7	--	120	13	1	486	603	--	--
Panama Canal Zone.....	46.8	40.4	832	462	7	2	--	30	6	7
Bermuda.....	75.2	68.5	488	247	8	--	--	--	--	--
Bahamas.....	63.5	76.3	200	549	2	1	--	2	20	8
Costa Rica.....	21.4	14.3	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
El Salvador.....	16.5	19.1	40	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Panama, Republic of.....	525.8	252.5	715	417	2	--	672	1,035	88	74
Cuba.....	428.9	443.8	3	--	--	--	528	624	1	2
Dominican Republic.....	80.8	96.2	--	--	--	--	499	586	--	--
Haiti.....	33.6	19.6	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Jamaica.....	34.1	35.7	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Netherlands Antilles.....	345.7	731.6	30	7	9	3	--	--	17	13
Argentina.....	24.6	60.0	--	2	--	2	--	16	--	5
Bolivia.....	7.8	7.8	--	--	--	--	278	363	--	--
Colombia.....	155.6	349.7	--	32	--	--	--	--	--	--
Ecuador.....	489.5	403.1	--	--	1	--	219	251	--	--
Peru.....	215.6	260.6	--	--	2	2	33	--	--	--
Uruguay.....	185.5	176.9	10	25	1	14	54	46	--	--
Venezuela.....	2,335.7	2,503.2	113	87	7	6	--	13	--	--
Austria.....	95.3	107.4	--	--	15	19	6	4	--	--
Belgium-Luxembourg.....	643.9	1,026.9	114	--	41	34	18	32	--	--
Denmark.....	443.5	413.2	32	84	37	25	--	--	--	--
France.....	1,320.9	1,300.8	195	--	13	21	134	100	--	--
Germany, West.....	480.2	456.2	--	--	22	20	--	--	--	--
Iceland.....	183.8	187.8	--	--	2/	--	--	--	--	--
Ireland.....	18.5	23.1	--	--	25	34	--	--	--	3
Italy.....	424.2	461.9	--	80	8	15	--	--	--	--
Netherlands.....	438.0	447.0	30	66	4	2	--	--	--	--
Norway.....	171.2	169.7	60	40	--	--	--	--	--	--
Portugal.....	21.7	19.7	--	--	1	--	9	--	--	--
Spain.....	71.9	11.3	--	--	2	--	1,323	1,674	--	--
Sweden.....	624.6	579.1	--	--	41	44	2	--	--	--
Switzerland.....	240.7	262.1	532	402	17	12	22	796	3	--
United Kingdom.....	38.3	42.2	--	--	13	12	--	1	11	11
Finland.....	40.8	35.6	--	--	4	2	--	--	--	--
Poland.....	69.5	100.5	--	--	4	2	--	--	--	--
Yugoslavia.....	12.7	6.2	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Algeria.....	29.9	30.9	--	--	5	13	55	--	--	--
Egypt.....	21.2	28.4	415	625	1	1	1	--	--	--
Ethiopia.....	32.1	41.2	60	--	--	--	2/	--	--	--
Morocco.....	1,942.3	2,105.8	683	92	6	2	--	--	--	--
French Somaliland.....	33.3	35.9	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Spanish Africa.....	36.5	43.6	--	54	--	--	--	--	--	--
Belgian Congo.....	37.3	19.1	--	--	1	--	--	--	--	--
French West Africa.....	62.7	32.8	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Liberia.....	94.1	120.2	164	120	1	2/	--	--	--	--

TOBACCO, MANUFACTURED PRODUCTS: United States exports by products and country of destination, calendar years 1957 and 1958 1/

Country of destination	Cigarettes		Cigars and Cheroots		Smoking Tobacco in Packages		Smoking Tobacco in Bulk		Chewing Tobacco and Snuff	
	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958
	Million pieces	Million pieces	1,000 pieces	1,000 pieces	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds
Madagascar.....	23.5	8.0	--	--	--	--	2	--	--	--
Rhodesia and Nyasaland (Fed. of)	.8	10.7	216	14	--	--	--	--	--	--
Union of South Africa.....	35.0	41.8	509	500	2/	2/	--	--	--	--
Iran.....	23.7	53.4	66	195	--	--	--	--	--	--
Iraq.....	23.3	13.2	50	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Israel.....	38.2	49.4	--	--	2/	2/	--	--	--	--
Lebanon.....	221.9	158.4	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Syria.....	45.9	77.0	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Kuwait.....	421.9	512.7	166	226	3	1	--	--	--	--
Saudi Arabia.....	156.0	162.2	362	248	8	1	--	--	1	--
Bahrein (State of).....	72.1	120.4	80	16	--	--	--	--	--	--
Japan.....	24.4	19.5	--	30	--	1	--	--	--	--
Malaya 3/.....	931.3	901.6	--	13	4	5	--	2	--	2/
Philippines.....	107.2	38.2	--	--	--	--	--	--	285	225
Vietnam, Cambodia & Laos.....	22.3	6.2	--	8	--	--	--	--	--	--
Macao.....	43.5	24.7	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Hong Kong.....	1,224.0	1,127.5	--	--	20	19	--	--	--	--
Nansei & Nampo Islands.....	181.4	125.0	16	--	--	--	--	25	--	--
Australia.....	1.7	.9	--	--	--	--	59	677	925	804
French Pacific Islands.....	25.6	18.4	--	--	--	--	--	--	81	93
Other countries 4/.....	262.4	545.6	126	2,005	10	146	48	54	9	19
Total.....	16,992.7	18,066.9	9,187	9,340	607	677	4,449	6,935	1,464	1,291
Declared value, 1,000 dollars.....	67,538	76,606	400	423	748	930	3,625	6,046	1,286	1,162

1/ Preliminary. 2/ Less than 500. 3/ Includes Singapore. 4/ Includes other countries and unidentified quantities for countries shown.

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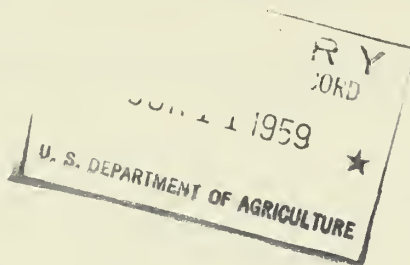
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WORLD TOBACCO PRODUCTION

UP IN FIRST HALF OF 1959

Estimated production of leaf tobacco for harvest in the first half of 1959, principally in the Southern Hemisphere, is 2,518 million pounds. This is an increase of less than 7 percent from the revised 1958 production of 2,363 million pounds. The estimate for 1959 is within 1 percent of the 1957 harvested production. In some countries, tobacco is harvested in both 6-month periods of the year. Total production for such countries is included in this report. 1/

The most important increases in production were in Argentina, the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland, India, the Union of South Africa, and Thailand. There were noteworthy decreases in the Dominican Republic, Brazil, Indonesia and the Philippines.

Production by Continents and Areas

North America (Including the Caribbean Area): Production of tobacco for harvest the first half of 1959 is forecast at 249 million pounds - down slightly from the 257 million pounds produced in both 1957 and 1958.

South America: Leaf tobacco production in South America is forecast at 507 million pounds - 4 percent above 1958 but 35 million pounds below the 1957 production. The main increases were in Argentina (20 million pounds), and Colombia (6 million pounds). A decrease of 8 million pounds is estimated for Brazil.

1/ Included in this category are Colombia, Madagascar, Ceylon, Pakistan, Indonesia, and Thailand.

Africa: Total tobacco production in Africa for the first half of calendar 1959 shows a sharp increase. Production is forecast at 360 million pounds - up 12 percent from the 320 million pounds harvested in the first half of 1958, and 18 percent above the corresponding period of 1957.

Production in the Rhodesias and Nyasaland is estimated at 220 million pounds - 14 percent higher than 1958, and in the Union of South Africa it is estimated to be up 14 percent. Output is expected to be higher in Nigeria, Angola and other African areas except Uganda, Madagascar, and Mozambique, where it remains practically the same as last year.

Asia: Total leaf tobacco production in Asia is estimated at 1,385 million pounds for harvest the first half of 1959 - 8 percent above a year earlier but about 2 percent below the 1957 production of 1,413 million pounds. The major change was an increase in India of 19 percent over 1958. The 1958 revised production for India was much lower than originally estimated because of a drop in acreage and a poor growing season.

Other major gains included increases of 17 percent in Thailand and 2 percent in Pakistan. There were drops of 8 percent in the Philippines and 6 percent in Indonesia.

Oceania: Production in both Australia and New Zealand is expected to be about 8 percent above 1958.

Production by Type

All of the light types of tobacco except Burley increased. A summary of the production by types for the first half of 1959 follows:

Flue-cured: The forecast of 717 million pounds of flue-cured indicates an increase of about 10 percent above a year earlier and 18 percent higher than the comparable flue-cured production in 1957. The greatest increases were 29 million pounds (26 percent) in India, 26 million pounds (17 percent) in the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland, an estimated increase of 7 million pounds in the Union of South Africa and a 6-million-pound (48 percent) increase in Thailand. Cuba expects flue-cured production to be 4.6 million pounds - up 3 million pounds above 1958.

Other increases are expected in Indonesia, Burma, Australia, and New Zealand.

Decreases in flue-cured production are estimated for the Philippines, Brazil and Argentina.

Burley: The estimated total Burley production for harvest the first half of 1959 is 19.6 million pounds, down 8 percent from 1958. This is only 2 percent lower than the 1957 first-half production in the same countries. The only sizable decrease is in Burley in Cuba where the production is forecast at 2.5 million pounds compared with 4.2 million in comparable 1958. Argentina expects a decrease of 300,000 pounds while output is expected to be up slightly in the Rhodesias and Nyasaland.

Other Light Air-cured (Including Maryland): The production of other light air-cured types is estimated at 31.0 million pounds compared with 28.6 million in 1958 and 26.7 in 1957. The major change is an increase of about 500,000 pounds forecast for the Union of South Africa.

Light Sun-cured: Production of light sun-cured tobacco is estimated to be about 152 million pounds compared with 142 million pounds produced last year. A decrease is expected in Mexico and a sharp increase in India.

Oriental (Turkish) and Semi-Oriental: The production of oriental type leaf in the first half of the year is estimated at 16.0 million pounds - up 600,000 pounds from a year earlier. The main increase is in the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland. Pakistan's output is estimated to be the same as last year.

Dark Air-cured 2/: Dark air-cured is estimated at about 737 million pounds, about the same as a year earlier, but about 110 million pounds or 13 percent below comparable 1957. The production of dark tobacco is generally downward. It is being displaced by lighter cigarette tobacco.

Increases are estimated mainly for Mexico, Argentina, Colombia and Nigeria with decreases for the Dominican Republic, Brazil (except Bahia type), Indonesia and the Philippines.

Dark Sun-cured: Dark sun-cured tobacco for harvest the first half of 1959 is currently estimated at 805 million pounds - up 9 percent from the 737 million pounds in 1958 but slightly less than in 1957. The major change was an estimated increase in dark sun-cured in India of 67 million pounds (18 percent). No other major changes were forecast.

Fire-cured: Total production of dark fire-cured tobacco for harvest in the Southern Hemisphere for the first half of 1959 is now estimated at 40.5 million pounds - down about a million pounds from 1958; however, the 1959 production is much higher than 1957 and almost a third higher than the 1950-54 average. The major changes in a country-by-country comparison were in Argentina, which had about a million-pound decrease, and the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland where output dropped about 700,000 pounds.

2/ Recent information indicates that perhaps as much as two-thirds of the tobacco classed as dark sun-cured for Burma should be classed as dark air-cured.

LEAF TOBACCO: Estimated production by kind harvested in the first half of calendar year 1959, with comparisons - farm sales weight 1/

Kinds	: <u>Average</u> :	1957	: 1958 <u>2/</u>	: 1959 <u>2/</u>
	: <u>1950-54</u> :			
	: 1,000 :	1,000	1,000	1,000
	: <u>pounds</u> :	<u>pounds</u>	<u>pounds</u>	<u>pounds</u>
Flue-cured.....	388,187	607,269	650,004	716,555
Burley.....	11,654	19,961	21,289	19,568
Other light air-cured..	19,731	26,742	28,649	30,956
Light sun-cured.....	140,820	145,062	141,492	152,070
Oriental and semi- oriental.....	9,522	15,358	15,004	15,581
Dark air-cured.....	754,534	846,756	728,833	737,436
Dark sun-cured.....	685,905	834,530	736,640	805,442
Fire-cured.....	31,109	35,314	41,564	40,450
TOTAL.....	<u>3/</u> 2,046,066	2,530,992	2,363,475	2,518,058

1/ Farm sales weight is about 10 percent above dry weight normally reported in manufacturing and export statistics. 2/ Preliminary.

3/ Includes 4,604 thousand pounds for Belgian Congo not identified by kinds.

Leaf Tobacco: Estimated acreage, yield and production of specified South Temperate Zone Countries, harvested in first half of calendar year 1959, with comparisons farm sales weight $\frac{1}{2}$

Continent and Country	Acreage harvested				Yield per acre				Production			
	Average	1957	1958 2/	1959 2/	Average	1957	1958 2/	1959 2/	Average	1957	1958 2/	1959 2/
	1950-54 acres	1,000 acres	1,000 acres	1,000 acres	1950-54 Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	1950-54 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds
North America:												
Mexico.....	88	90	93	93	902	820	879	869	79,781	73,634	81,350	81,350
Costa Rica.....	3	6	2	2	743	541	706	704	2,293	3,246	1,531	1,669
El Salvador.....	3	3	4	4	1,470	720	688	429	1,283	1,964	2,200	1,943
Guatemala.....	7	7	7	7	608	506	429	429	4,233	3,250	3,100	3,100
Honduras.....	11	12	13	13	507	669	712	712	7,150	7,917	8,560	8,560
Nicaragua.....	2	3	3	3	906	661	667	667	1,245	1,984	2,000	2,000
Panama.....	2	1	1	1	585	700	700	700	896	701	700	700
Cuba.....	145	149	148	153	562	775	782	760	81,755	115,424	116,573	116,573
Dominican Republic.....	17	55	60	50	867	831	645	606	11,124	15,683	38,693	30,313
Haiti.....	4	14	14	14	821	411	411	411	3,080	1,500	1,500	1,500
Jamaica.....	2	3	2	2	753	411	688	688	1,158	1,234	1,100	1,100
Total North America.....	317	329	333	326	753	411	688	688	223,998	256,537	257,118	248,808
South America:												
Argentina.....	90	112	93	106	812	835	654	755	75,949	93,475	60,582	80,027
Bolivia.....	3	3	3	3	734	700	700	700	2,310	2,100	2,100	2,100
Brazil.....	397	442	440	440	676	715	701	683	268,919	316,426	308,644	300,650
Chile.....	8	7	8	10	1,736	1,721	1,436	1,436	13,697	11,388	13,346	13,600
Colombia.....	50	54	55	59	986	1,535	1,082	1,383	19,559	82,893	74,956	81,570
Paraguay.....	18	13	15	13	952	1,017	962	962	16,944	13,227	12,500	12,500
Peru.....	8	7	7	7	935	1,125	1,100	1,100	7,560	8,157	8,000	8,000
Uruguay.....	13	7	6	6	1,012	900	900	880	665	630	630	630
Venezuela.....	13	7	6	6	913	1,890	1,302	1,302	11,502	12,963	7,441	7,441
Total South America.....	588	646	626	645	913	1,890	1,302	1,302	447,105	541,259	446,179	406,593
Africa:												
Angola.....	3	7	8	8	495	461	440	550	1,015	3,306	3,527	4,400
Belgian Congo and Ruande Urundi.....	9	9	9	9	515	570	579	603	4,604	5,071	5,271	5,511
French Equatorial Africa.....	14	7	6	7	721	574	515	583	4	3,968	3,307	3,748
Kenya.....	1	1	1	1	1,435	1,241	1,094	1,094	584	600	600	600
Mauritius.....	1	1	1	1	501	567	553	553	9,820	10,766	10,500	10,500
Madagascar.....	19	19	19	19	441	470	470	470	1,936	3,300	3,300	3,300
Mozambique.....	5	61	61	61	639	504	345	387	24,716	30,750	21,059	23,600
Nigeria.....	38	323	358	365	489	560	541	603	145,952	180,580	193,468	220,000
Rhodesia and Nyasaland.....	299	15	15	15	380	332	393	403	4,591	4,984	5,861	6,050
Tanganyika.....	15	12	12	12	380	532	590	590	2,929	5,996	7,088	7,090
Uganda.....	8	83	83	92	595	672	778	803	44,172	55,770	64,580	73,900
Union of South Africa.....	74	545	580	597	795	781	778	775	102,258	107,780	107,072	108,416
Total Africa.....	472	129	137	140	795	781	778	775	102,258	107,780	107,072	108,416
Asia:												
Burma.....	129	138	137	140	795	781	778	775	102,258	107,780	107,072	108,416
Ceylon.....	14	15	15	15	510	580	527	527	7,018	8,700	7,900	7,900
China, Taiwan.....	15	24	23	23	1,363	1,722	1,643	1,652	20,034	11,303	38,558	38,000
India.....	849	1,029	926	1,050	670	640	610	610	568,516	658,560	564,500	672,000
Indonesia.....	345	432	444	389	421	403	365	365	145,322	172,168	150,766	142,000
Pakistan.....	180	232	205	207	946	1,009	1,029	1,040	170,320	234,000	211,000	215,200
Philippines.....	109	199	209	204	501	528	575	542	54,407	105,137	120,065	110,500
Thailand.....	96	144	132	144	362	378	390	420	34,793	54,440	51,499	60,430
Vietnam, Laos, Cambodia.....	32	43	43	43	648	721	721	721	20,350	31,000	31,000	31,000
Total Asia.....	1,769	2,256	2,104	2,215	795	781	778	775	1,123,018	1,413,088	1,282,300	1,385,416
Oceania:												
Australia.....	7	12	14	15	849	793	850	828	6,011	9,661	11,600	12,500
New Zealand.....	4	3	3	3	1,280	1,422	1,424	1,633	4,652	4,464	4,651	5,000
Total Oceania.....	11	15	17	18	1,129	1,215	1,272	1,461	10,663	14,125	16,251	17,500
TOTAL WORLD.....	3,157	3,791	3,660	3,801	795	781	778	775	2,046,066	2,530,992	2,363,475	2,518,058

1/ Farm sales weight is about 10 percent above average dry weight, which is normally reported in export statistics. 2/ Preliminary. 3/ Less than a 5-year average. 4/ Not available.

FLUE-CURED: Estimated acreage, yield and production of specified South Temperate Zone Countries, harvested in the first half of calendar year 1959, with comparisons - farm sales weight 1/

Continent and Country	Acreage harvested			Yield per acre			Production		
	Average	1957	1958 2/	Average	1957	1958 2/	Average	1957	1958 2/
	1,000 : acres	1,000 : acres	1,000 : acres	1950-54 : Pounds	1950-54 : Pounds	1950-54 : Pounds	1950-54 : Pounds	1,000 : pounds	1,000 : pounds
North America:									
Mexico.....	5	4	4	1,074	836	892	4,919	3,307	3,527
Costa Rica.....	1	3/	3/	345	500	500	115	130	150
El Salvador.....	2	2	2	412	742	709	874	1,266	1,350
Guatemala.....	1	1	1	802	696	696	439	600	600
Honduras.....	3/	1	1	1,095	607	725	150	450	575
Nicaragua.....	1	1	1	1,051	1,000	1,000	730	862	900
Cuba.....	2	2	2	9	786	762	507	1,572	1,600
Jamaica.....	3/	4/	4/	1,100	4/	4/	4/	50	50
South America:									
Argentina.....	13	32	27	990	760	784	785	24,339	19,841
Brazil.....	37	69	100	1,292	1,066	1,000	47,622	73,578	99,207
Chile.....	1	1	1	1,324	1,314	1,187	1,400	710	800
Venezuela.....	6	5	5	1,139	1,785	1,220	6,217	8,157	6,170
Africa:									
Kenya.....	3/	4/	4/	631	4/	4/	183	300	300
Mauritius.....	1	1	1	1,306	1,122	1,010	796	688	580
Mozambique.....	5	6	6	410	500	500	1,872	3,000	3,000
Nigeria.....	2	7	7	904	471	450	1,192	330	350
Rhodesia and Nyasaland.....	198	190	215	592	781	726	116,993	148,584	182,000
Tanganyika.....	6	6	6	453	603	633	2,757	3,584	3,800
Uganda.....	2	4	5	301	474	467	1,790	1,790	2,360
Union of South Africa									
Orinoco.....	31	43	43	600	579	726	18,553	24,900	38,500
Asia:									
Burma.....	1	5	6	810	502	579	465	2,500	4,928
Ceylon.....	3	7	7	475	514	500	1,520	3,600	3,500
Taiwan.....	15	24	23	1,363	1,722	1,643	20,034	41,303	38,558
India.....	162	190	176	628	684	625	101,860	130,000	139,000
Indonesia.....	25	94	103	453	318	322	11,399	29,980	36,500
Pakistan.....	4	11	14	988	954	942	1,000	10,500	13,000
Philippines.....	4	105	120	579	563	662	2,415	59,061	73,000
Thailand.....	52	56	43	343	303	320	17,873	16,962	20,750
Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia.....	1	1	1	567	1,000	1,000	340	1,000	1,000
Oceania:									
Australia.....	7	12	14	819	793	850	6,011	9,661	12,500
New Zealand.....	4	3	3	1,280	1,402	1,424	4,582	4,400	4,900
NEW TOTAL ALL COUNTRIES SHOWN...	589	683	937	--	--	--	388,187	607,289	716,555

See footnotes at end of tables.

LIGHT SUN-CURED: Estimated acreage, yield and production of specified South Temperate Zone Countries, harvested in the first half of calendar year 1959, with comparisons - farm sales weight 1/

Continent and Country	Acreage harvested			Yield per acre			Production		
	Average : 1950-54	1957	1958 2/ 1,000	Average : 1950-54	1957	1958 2/ 1,000	Average : 1950-54	1957	1958 2/ 1,000
	acres	acres	acres	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds
North America:									
Mexico.....	40	42	44	1,101	897	991	44,489	37,699	44,092
Costa Rica.....	2	6	2	806	506	800	2,147	3,036	1,400
South America:									
Paraguay.....									
Flajo.....	13	9	9	963	1,136	1,056	12,708	10,227	9,500
Asia:									
India.....	150	47	47	488	47	47	73,076	81,100	71,500
Pakistan.....	10	16	17	840	673	882	8,400	13,000	15,000
TOTAL ALL COUNTRIES SHOWN.....	215	73	72	--	--	--	140,820	145,062	141,492

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ORIENTAL AND SEMI-ORIENTAL: Estimated acreage, yield and production of specified South Temperate Zone Countries, harvested in the first half of calendar year 1959, with comparisons - farm sales weight 1/

Continent and Country	Acreage harvested			Yield per acre			Production		
	Average : 1950-54	1957	1958 2/ 1,000	Average : 1950-54	1957	1958 2/ 1,000	Average : 1950-54	1957	1958 2/ 1,000
	acres	acres	acres	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds
South America:									
Argentina.....	-	2	3/	-	446	450	-	1,120	324
Africa:									
Rhodesia and Nyasaland.....	1	2	1	373	431	400	214	938	450
Union of South Africa.....	2	2	2	450	500	500	1,008	800	730
Asia:									
Pakistan.....	11	14	16	769	892	844	8,300	12,500	13,500
TOTAL ALL COUNTRIES SHOWN.....	14	20	19	--	--	--	9,522	15,358	15,004

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DARK AIR-CURED: Estimated acreage, yield and production of specified South Temperate Zone Countries, harvested in the first half of calendar year 1959, with comparisons - farm sales weight 1/

Continent and Country	Acreage harvested				Yield per acre				Production			
	Average	1957	1958 2/	1959 2/	Average	1957	1958 2/	1959 2/	Average	1957	1958 2/	1959 2/
	1950-54 acres	1,000 acres	1,000 acres	1,000 acres	1950-54 Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	1950-54 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds
North America:												
Mexico.....	42	42	43	44	681	740	750	748	28,640	31,085	31,967	33,289
El Salvador (including cigar)...	3/	3/	1	1	788	578	578	578	298	225	300	300
Guatemala.....	6	5	5	5	588	433	400	400	3,649	2,125	2,000	2,000
Honduras.....	13	11	12	12	507	673	656	656	7,000	7,400	7,865	7,865
Nicaragua.....	1	2	2	2	725	460	425	425	435	862	840	840
Chilegnee.....	4/	3/	3/	3/	4/	600	600	600	20	100	100	100
Panama.....	2	1	1	1	585	700	700	700	896	701	700	700
Dominican Republic.....	47	55	60	50	867	831	645	606	41,124	45,683	38,693	30,313
Haiti.....	4	4/	4/	4/	821	4/	4/	4/	3,080	1,500	1,500	1,500
Jamaica.....	1	1	1	1	800	800	800	800	1,017	1,084	950	950
Cigar.....	3/	3/	3/	3/	500	500	500	500	100	100	100	100
Native (cow-tongue).....												
South America:												
Argentina.....	55	53	45	60	779	897	485	735	43,111	47,518	21,825	44,092
Netive.....	7	9	5	6	733	696	864	800	4,780	6,266	4,321	4,795
Cigar (Bahia and Cuerda).....	10	13	12	11	1,006	727	744	750	10,643	9,455	8,924	8,157
Other.....	3	3	3	3	734	700	700	700	2,310	2,100	2,100	2,100
Bolivia.....	94	90	80	80	640	759	772	772	60,131	68,343	61,729	61,729
Brazil.....	112	207	175	175	915	572	579	567	102,435	118,453	101,412	99,207
Bahia-cigar.....	151	100	80	80	367	521	486	465	55,606	52,910	38,855	37,200
Twist.....												
Other 5/.....	42	48	48	52	995	1,506	1,390	1,396	41,666	72,311	66,711	72,597
Colombia.....	8	6	6	7	940	1,763	1,374	1,282	7,893	10,582	8,245	8,973
Netive, Garcia and Cubita.....	5	4	4	4	921	750	750	750	4,236	3,000	3,000	3,000
Other.....	8	7	7	7	935	1,125	1,100	1,100	7,560	8,157	8,000	8,000
Paraguay (Fuerte).....	1	1	1	1	1,012	900	880	880	665	630	630	616
Peru.....	4	3/	3/	3/	705	496	496	496	2,954	9	55	60
Uruguay.....												
Venezuela.....												
Africa:												
Angola.....	3	6	6	6	495	446	446	500	1,015	2,646	2,645	3,000
Belgian Congo.....	4/	3/	3/	4/	4/	892	892	4/	4/	220	221	4/
Cigar, wrapper, filler and binder.....	4/	8	7	7	4/	530	574	574	4/	4,189	3,968	3,968
Other.....	3/	4/	4/	4/	774	4/	4/	4/	381	300	300	300
Kenya.....	2	6	6	6	375	240	250	250	757	1,442	1,500	1,500
Medegecar (Corse).....												
Nigeria.....	35	47	47	47	628	574	372	425	21,973	26,970	17,500	20,000
Nicotine rustice (peasant), tabacum.....	4/	4/	4/	4/	4/	4/	4/	4/	420	336	302	300
Tanganyika.....	71	2	2	2	292	624	488	488	459	947	977	980
Uganda.....	41	38	38	38	502	626	623	650	20,611	23,800	23,690	24,500
Union of South Africa.....												
Asia:												
French Equatorial Africa.....	-	4	2	3	-	390	714	811	-	1,543	1,764	2,205
Ceylon.....	8	6	6	6	456	567	484	484	3,644	3,400	2,900	2,900
Indonesia.....	12	20	20	16	623	308	308	310	7,338	6,093	6,095	5,000
Sumatra cigar, Deli.....	308	318	291	261	410	427	384	385	126,585	136,095	111,584	100,500
Other.....												
Pakistan.....	2	3	4	4	700	1,033	1,000	976	1,500	3,100	4,000	4,100
Cigar.....	65	71	72	73	1,041	972	972	995	67,600	69,000	70,000	72,200
Other.....	105	94	89	83	498	488	455	451	51,992	46,076	40,565	37,500
Philippines.....	31	42	42	42	650	714	714	714	20,010	30,000	30,000	30,000
Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia.....												
TOTAL ALL COUNTRIES SHOWN.....	1,229	1,323	1,223	1,196	--	--	--	--	754,534	846,756	728,833	737,436

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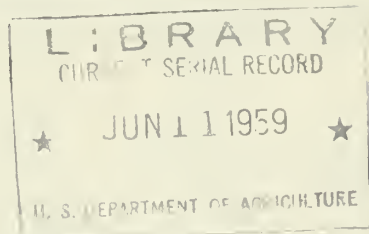
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U. S. IMPORTS OF UNMANUFACTURED

TOBACCO SET RECORD IN 1958

U. S. imports of unmanufactured tobacco for consumption reached a record total of 138.6 million pounds in 1958, compared with the previous high of 124.1 million in 1957. Tobaccos imported into the United States consist largely of oriental-type cigarette leaf and cigar leaf for blending with domestic tobacco in cigarettes and cigars. U. S. imports in 1958 were valued at \$105 million.

The United States is the world's third largest importer of unmanufactured tobacco, being exceeded only by the United Kingdom and West Germany. U.S. imports have risen steadily during the past decade, reflecting increasing amounts of oriental leaf being used in cigarettes and larger quantities of foreign-grown cigar filler and scrap going into cigars.

Cigarette Leaf Imports Rise Steadily: Cigarette leaf (largely oriental) now makes up about 75 percent of total U. S. imports of unmanufactured tobacco. Imports of cigarette leaf are steadily rising and reached a record 104.7 million pounds in 1958, compared with 91.2 million pounds in 1957 and with an average of 76.4 million for 1950-54. The value of 1958 imports of cigarette leaf, at \$76.8 million, indicates that the average value per pound (market value in foreign country) was U. S. 73.4 cents.

Turkey and Greece are the largest shippers of cigarette leaf to the U.S. market. In 1958 they supplied a total of 93.6 million pounds. Imports from both countries set new records. Since the end of World War II, Turkey has been the most important supplier. But imports from Greece are rising more rapidly percentagewise than those from Turkey. In 1958, Greece furnished more than double the quantity it supplied in 1950-54.

Note: Imports, as used in this Circular, refers to "imports for consumption". These include withdrawals from bond for consumption and releases from customs custody immediately upon arrival.

TOBACCO, UNMANUFACTURED: U.S. imports for consumption, by principal countries of origin, average 1950-54, annual 1955-58

Commodity and origin	Average 1950-54	1955	1956	1957 1/	1958 1/
	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds
Cigarette leaf:					
Turkey.....	53,802	57,686	61,528	60,000	65,108
Greece.....	13,280	17,872	18,881	23,271	28,536
Syria.....	3,579	2,421	1,587	1,178	1,059
Italy.....	1,025	1,504	1,826	1,514	1,744
Cyprus.....	247	297	524	501	1,320
Yugoslavia.....	1,011	3,523	2,899	3,558	3,964
Other countries..	3,491	373	702	1,176	2,964
Total.....	76,435	83,676	87,947	91,198	104,695
Cigar wrapper:					
Netherlands 2/...	3	1	--	1	--
Indonesia.....	664	326	137	124	79
Cuba.....	383	497	600	586	542
Other countries..	10	1	2	4	--
Total.....	1,060	825	739	715	621
Cigar filler:					
Unstemmed					
Cuba.....	4,231	5,027	3,779	2,968	3,125
Philippines.....	182	--	474	--	92
Other countries..	18	4	9	19	118
Stemmed					
Cuba.....	10,190	8,804	9,229	8,814	8,993
Philippines.....	572	--	235	235	327
Other countries..	5	6	4	123	72
Total.....	15,198	13,841	13,730	12,159	12,727
Scrap:					
Cuba.....	7,557	9,350	11,293	12,336	13,755
Philippines.....	1,017	2,455	5,788	6,060	5,479
Canada.....	26	--	37	46	109
Other countries..	14	10	23	1	108
Total.....	8,614	11,815	17,141	18,443	19,451
Stems:					
Cuba.....	132	585	822	1,196	617
United Kingdom...	393	473	540	392	345
Ireland.....	--	--	--	34	118
Other countries..	74	18	--	--	--
Total.....	599	1,076	1,362	1,622	1,080
Grand Total.....	101,906	111,233	120,919	124,137	138,574

1/ Preliminary. 2/ Largely Indonesian tobacco reshipped from the Netherlands.

Other countries supplying cigarette leaf to the U. S. market include Italy, Yugoslavia, Cyprus, and Syria. Some oriental leaf also originates in Rhodesia-Nyasaland.

Annual imports for consumption generally are a fairly reliable indicator of manufacturers' usings of foreign-grown cigarette leaf during the year. With this assumption, it appears that the average percentage of imported tobacco used in U. S. cigarettes is slowly rising, and amounted to about 8 percent in 1958. This was still below the prewar percentage of about 10 percent. Due to much larger U. S. cigarette output, however, the absolute volume of imported cigarette leaf used in 1958 was more than twice that for the 1935-39 period.

Under the Tariff Act of 1930, the U. S. tariff on imports of cigarette leaf was originally 35 cents per pound. There has been a gradual reduction in the tariff over the years and the present rate, which became effective June 30, 1958, is 12-3/4 cents per pound. This rate applies to all countries except those in the Soviet bloc, for which the 1930 rates apply.

Cigar Leaf Imports Up: Imports for consumption of cigar leaf consist largely of cigar filler and scrap tobacco (used mainly as scrap filler). Together, these important categories accounted for 32.2 million pounds last year, compared with 30.6 million in 1957. The annual 1950-54 average was 23.8 million.

Imports of cigar wrapper have dropped in recent years and totaled only 0.6 million pounds in 1958, compared with an average of 1.1 million in 1950-54 and 2.1 million for 1935-39.

Cuba is the largest supplier of cigar filler, scrap and cigar wrapper. Imports from that country last year were 12.1 million pounds of cigar filler, 13.8 million of scrap, and 0.5 million of wrapper. Cigar tobacco imports from the Philippines amounted to 5.9 million pounds in 1958--largely scrap.

Imports from both Cuba and the Philippines enjoy favorable tariff treatment in the U. S. market. The present U. S. tariff rate on Cuban unstemmed cigar filler is 12.6 cents per pound; on stemmed filler, 18.0 cents, and on scrap, 12.6 cents. Corresponding rates applicable to other countries (except the Philippines) are 16.1 cents for unstemmed cigar filler, 23.0 cents for stemmed filler, and 16.1 cents for scrap. Cuban unstemmed cigar wrapper enjoys a tariff rate of 81.9 cents per pound, compared with 90.9 cents for similar leaf from other areas. Significant gradual reductions have taken place during past years in the tariff rate on Cuban cigar leaf. Under the Tariff Act of 1930, rates per pound were established as follows: Unstemmed cigar filler, 28 cents; stemmed filler, 40 cents, and scrap, 28 cents.

The importation of Philippines tobacco is favored by a duty-free quota which now amounts to 5,850,000 pounds per year. This will be gradually reduced and there will be no duty-free quota after 1974. Quantities imported for consumption, in excess of the duty-free quota, are dutiable at the Cuban rates.

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FREE WORLD TOBACCO EXPORTS

DROP A LITTLE IN 1958

Free World exports of unmanufactured tobacco in 1958--at 1,478 million pounds--were slightly smaller than the revised figure of 1,483 million for 1957, but 18 percent above the 1950-54 average. (For valid comparisons, the trade of countries within the Sino-Soviet bloc, which is available for prewar years but not for much of the postwar period, has been excluded from the table included in this summary.)

Light cigarette tobaccos continued to dominate the world trade picture in tobacco last year. Although total exports from the 3 major oriental tobacco-producing countries of the Free World--Turkey, Greece, and Yugoslavia--dropped from 383 million pounds in 1957 to 334 million in 1958, increased world exports of flue-cured and Burley largely offset this decline. Total Free World exports of light cigarette tobaccos--including flue-cured, Burley, oriental, and other light air-cured represented nearly 80 percent of export trade in 1958.

Principal Exporting Countries

United States: U. S. exports of unmanufactured tobacco in 1958, totaling 482 million pounds (declared export weight) dropped 3.7 percent from 1957. The United States continued as the world's largest tobacco exporter last year. But the U. S. share in Free World exports declined from 34 percent in 1957 to 33 percent in 1958.

Exports of flue-cured tobacco from the United States in 1958, at 399 million pounds, were down 4.5 percent from the 418 million in 1957. There were substantial gains in flue-cured exports to West Germany, Italy, Ireland, Spain, Egypt, Japan, and the Philippines. These were more than offset, however, by declines in exports to Belgium, Denmark, France, the Netherlands, Sweden, Switzerland, the United Kingdom, Australia, Thailand, and Indonesia. U. S. exports of Burley, primarily due to a sharp increase in shipments to Sweden, were 40 percent larger in 1958 than in 1957. With the exception of Black Fat, cigar wrapper, cigar filler, and Perique, exports of other kinds of tobacco were smaller in 1958 than in 1957.

Rhodesian Federation: Exports from the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland increased a little in 1958--to 143 million pounds, from 139 million in 1957. The record high exports from the Federation--165 million pounds--were in 1956. Flue-cured exports, at nearly 117 million pounds, accounted for 81 percent of the Federation's total tobacco exports last year. Fire-cured leaf made up most of the remainder. British Commonwealth countries provided the market for 67 percent of total exports, with the United Kingdom alone purchasing 74 million pounds. Exports to Australia were at a record high of 11 million pounds. The Netherlands and West Germany were the most important non-Commonwealth markets in 1958, taking 13.6 and 11.2 million pounds, respectively--largely flue-cured leaf. Total purchases by all Western European countries (excluding the United Kingdom) amounted to 34.5 million pounds in 1958, compared with 29.5 million in 1957.

Turkey: Tobacco exports from Turkey in 1958 were 147 million pounds--down about 25 percent from the record high of 195 million in 1957. Exports to the United States--by far the biggest market--dropped from 88 million pounds in 1957 to 51 million in 1958. There were substantial declines in exports to West Germany, East Germany, Czechoslovakia, and Poland. There was a sharp gain--from 2 million to 11 million pounds--in exports to the Soviet Union. Total shipments to the Soviet Union and other "bloc" countries were 48.3 million pounds in 1958, compared with 49.5 million in 1957.

Greece: Greek exports of unmanufactured tobacco in 1958, at about 136 million pounds--were down 10 percent from the record of 152 million in 1957. West Germany, as usual, was the principal market for Greek leaf last year, taking 43.5 million pounds, or 32 percent of the total. Exports to the United States set a new high of nearly 31 million pounds. Countries whose purchases of Greek tobacco in 1958 were substantially lower than in 1957 included West Germany, Italy, Austria, Belgium, Egypt, and the United Kingdom. Exports to Switzerland, Portugal, and the Soviet Union increased. Exports to the Soviet Union and to other "bloc" areas totaled about 19 million pounds in 1958, compared with 14 million in 1957.

India: India's tobacco exports set a new record in 1958--about 103 million pounds, compared with 80 million in 1957. India is the Free World's third-largest exporter of flue-cured tobacco and about 86 percent of its 1958 exports consisted of flue-cured. The United Kingdom continued as the principal market. Its purchases of Indian leaf, at about 43 million pounds in 1958, represented 42 percent of total Indian tobacco exports. There was a substantial movement of Indian leaf to Communist areas last year, with the Soviet Union purchasing about 7 million pounds and Communist China, 22 million.

Brazil: Brazil's exports of unmanufactured tobacco in 1958 totaled about 66 million pounds compared with 62 million in 1957. Most of the exports are dark and cigar leaf destined to Western Europe. Spain was the largest market in 1958, taking 18 million pounds. Other principal markets in order of importance included the Netherlands, West Germany, Denmark, France, Algeria, Switzerland, Belgium, and Uruguay.

Cuba: Exports of unmanufactured tobacco, at about 59 million pounds, were up 6 percent from 1957. U. S. purchases, totaling 35 million pounds, represented 59 percent of the total. Spain, with 8.6 million pounds, was the second-largest market. Other markets taking more than one million pounds of Cuban tobacco last year included the Netherlands, the Canary Islands, and West Germany.

Yugoslavia: A record quantity of tobacco--about 51 million pounds--was shipped in 1958. Exports consist largely of oriental and semi-oriental leaf. The sharp gain in exports--from 35 million pounds in 1957 to 51 million pounds last year--was due mainly to the reentry of Mainland China and East Germany in the market after they had purchased no Yugoslav tobacco in 1957. Other principal export outlets included France, the United States, Poland, Hungary, and Czechoslovakia.

Indonesia: Exports of unmanufactured tobacco from Indonesia were up sharply in 1958, totaling nearly 49 million pounds, compared with about 31 million in 1957. As usual, Western European countries provided the largest market, with the Netherlands, Belgium, and West Germany, combined, accounting for more than 80 percent of the total.

Philippines: Philippine tobacco exports rose substantially in 1958--to 31 million pounds compared with less than 24 million in 1957. Reported exports to the United States, at 12.9 million pounds, sharply exceeded U. S. purchases of 5.3 million in 1957. Spain, usually the first-ranking outlet, took a little less than the United States last year.

Principal Importing Countries

United Kingdom: The United Kingdom imported a total of 316.4 million pounds of unmanufactured tobacco in 1958--just a little under the 318.8 million imported in 1957. It was, as usual, the world's largest tobacco-importing country. The United States supplied 164.4 million pounds in 1958, or 52 percent of the total. Imports from the Federation of Rhodesia-Nyasaland and Canada dropped in 1958 while purchases from India rose substantially. British Commonwealth countries, combined, supplied 45.7 percent of Britain's tobacco imports last year, compared with 44.7 percent in 1957. Flue-cured tobacco makes up the bulk of Britain's imports.

Continent and Country	Average 1950-54		1956		1957 1/		1958 1/	
	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports
	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds
North America:								
Canada.....	31,050	1,412	30,217	1,665	37,206	2,047	29,602	2,813
Mexico.....	555	3,307	779	3,869	664	3,730	840	6,019
United States.....	473,640	101,906	510,357	120,955	500,955	124,137	482,341	138,574
Costa Rica.....	45	97	--	128	28	147	--	2/ 150
El Salvador.....	34	3,313	480	2,376	50	2,874	--	3/ 2,500
Guatemala.....	--	673	--	761	--	600	--	2/ 600
Honduras 1/.....	3,803	139	3,868	265	4,577	157	3,000	93
Nicaragua.....	2	699	--	1,048	--	835	--	2/ 800
Cuba.....	36,642	--	47,080	--	55,453	--	58,879	--
Dominican Republic.....	29,763	86	29,660	--	26,087	--	25,364	--
Jamaica.....	190	1,048	108	1,453	--	1,554	--	1,551
Trinidad and Tobago.....	--	1,414	--	1,702	--	1,713	--	3/ 1,726
Total.....	575,724	114,094	622,549	134,186	625,020	137,794	600,026	154,826
South America:								
Argentina.....	973	3,121	1,330	220	7,420	200	4,462	29
Brazil.....	64,847	218	67,001	156	62,300	30	66,272	73
British Guiana.....	--	622	--	679	--	703	--	816
Chile.....	--	688	--	772	--	690	--	741
Colombia.....	9,315	239	11,621	9	12,663	--	9,961	3/ 15
Paraguay.....	7,267	26	7,244	--	5,000	--	6,000	--
Peru.....	10	649	--	484	366	455	2/ 440	2/ 400
Surinam.....	--	137	--	163	--	160	--	160
Uruguay.....	--	9,118	--	9,963	--	8,889	--	3/ 6,000
Venezuela.....	--	601	--	748	--	326	--	2/ 400
Total.....	82,412	15,419	87,196	13,194	87,749	11,453	87,135	8,634
Europe:								
Austria.....	1,470	19,899	2,201	30,925	1,534	27,547	1,134	22,573
Belgium-Luxembourg.....	2,023	48,717	729	50,024	1,034	55,896	1,257	57,824
Denmark.....	595	23,974	19	27,797	78	25,223	86	24,772
France.....	1,183	69,912	1,764	76,503	5,607	67,131	4,815	68,964
Germany, West.....	676	114,993	1,770	155,238	1,591	168,681	2,386	171,404
Greece.....	88,077	--	107,031	--	152,117	--	136,486	--
Ireland.....	--	17,044	--	9,688	--	10,725	--	12,985
Italy.....	22,160	8,290	26,034	15,668	24,304	15,313	25,930	15,219
Netherlands.....	8,352	69,370	9,621	71,123	5/ 6,779	72,196	6,105	76,899
Norway.....	--	8,618	180	9,514	47	9,964	428	9,881
Portugal.....	4	10,679	--	11,868	--	11,618	--	12,467
Spain.....	--	48,844	463	50,073	1,185	46,733	8,978	56,009
Sweden.....	10	21,221	271	19,008	--	22,990	--	13,895
Switzerland.....	3	24,458	--	26,806	2	26,892	--	28,241
United Kingdom.....	7,149	302,358	5/ 2,829	318,371	5/ 2,700	318,832	2,000	316,438
Malta.....	--	982	--	809	--	1,187	--	1,200
Finland.....	--	10,407	1	11,750	--	10,979	--	10,558
Yugoslavia.....	15,712	2,988	44,182	240	35,434	1,753	50,706	1,200
Total.....	147,414	802,954	197,095	885,405	232,412	893,660	240,311	900,529

Africa:									
Aden.....	--	--	5/	4,481	8,286	5/	4,903	9,116	3/5/ 7,310 3/ 10,421
Algeria.....	27,716	9,856	26,278	24,982	12,629	25,872	9,537	16,117	3/ 19,000 3/ 16,300
Egypt.....	--	4,997	5,465	1,223	6,004	5,509	675	7,231	510 5,810
Morocco.....	493	5,465	425	1,132	754	8,817	1,042	3,597	276 3/ 3,300
Tunisia.....	117	1,690	6,554	110	1,795	1,854	94	12,202	201 11,023
Angola.....	155	1,420	1,573	1,803	734	2,355	1,464	2,388	3/ 2,222 3/ 1,800
Belgian Congo.....	702	--	6/	1,210	1,180	2,299	235	1,521	772 1,224
Cameroon.....	--	1,078	1,534	400	1,180	9,293	--	1,433	240 2/ 3,000
French Equatorial Africa.....	--	1,534	37	8,340	--	436	873	428	2/ 700 2/ --
French West Africa.....	8,596	361	6,596	165,118	5,524	1,38,889	--	5,949	2 143,274 --
Ghana.....	116,811	2,823	1,598	758	1,980	2,333	2,118	2,118	-- 3/ 1,600
Madagascar.....	2,823	160,884	76,325	209,989	101,937	171,192	4,956	4,956	2,768 3,063
Mozambique.....	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	96,891	188,273 90,932
Nigeria.....	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Rhodesia and Nyasaland.....	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Sierra Leone.....	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Union of South Africa.....	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Total.....	160,884	76,325	209,989	101,937	171,192	4,956	96,891	188,273	90,932
Asia:									
Cyprus.....	1,440	872	1,570	1,104	1,440	1,060	1,560	1,060	1,091
Lebanon.....	911	771	1,953	539	1,358	840	3/ 1,800 3/ 300	66	3/ 750 3/ 300
Syria.....	5,387	1,137	1,611	468	922	--	--	--	--
Turkey (Europe and Asia).....	132,971	12	133,848	7,974	1,322	10,171	5/ 1,146	10,171	5/ 1,146
Hong Kong.....	6,979	11,470	5/ 941	753	127	2,114	1	900	100 3/ 1,200
Burma.....	395	288	923	1,788	711	2,332	391	2,332	391 1,063
Ceylon.....	1,224	1,737	908	2,468	80,227	3,230	103,000	3,230	103,000 3,000
China, Taiwan.....	45	4,354	93,183	31,885	31,371	19,039	48,633	48,633	3/ 7,500
India.....	84,405	13,484	24,908	12,574	7,788	4,961	8,986	4,961	5,913
Indonesia.....	30,192	11,810	1,113	12,000	--	10,000	--	10,000	-- 2/ 10,000
Japan.....	1,254	13,748	652	1,628	5/ 7,557	8,716	3/5/ 3,800 3/ 5,200	8,716	3/5/ 3,800 3/ 5,200
Laos, Cambodia, Vietnam.....	1	462	5/ 289	2,771	309	877	289	877	289 369
Malaya.....	175	7,453	22,835	7,214	23,751	58	31,176	58	31,176 5,392
Pakistan.....	20	22,374	10,159	9,427	14,833	11,893	12,718	11,893	12,718 11,684
Philippines.....	19,281	5,488	294,933	95,399	366,759	76,257	361,571	76,257	361,571 65,580
Thailand.....	21	96,368	249	36,516	351	45,474	186	45,474	186 42,826
Total.....	284,701	31,388	6,290	6,215	42,731	51,621	186	51,621	186 50,232
Oceania:									
Australia.....	1	31,388	249	36,516	351	45,474	186	45,474	186 42,826
New Zealand.....	--	6,290	--	6,215	--	6,147	--	6,147	-- 7,406
Total.....	1	31,388	249	42,731	351	51,621	186	51,621	186 50,232
Total World.....	1,251,136	1,142,838	1,412,011	1,272,852	1,483,483	1,267,676	1,477,502	1,267,676	1,477,502 1,270,733

1/ Preliminary. 2/ Approximated from unofficial sources. 3/ Estimated from data for less than one year. 4/ Fiscal year ending March 31st.
 5/ Re-exports. 6/ Less than a five year average.

Prepared or estimated from official statistics of foreign governments, reports of United States Agricultural Attaches, office research, and other information.

West Germany: Duty-paid imports of unmanufactured tobacco into West Germany rose from 168.7 million pounds in 1957 to 171.4 million in 1958--a gain of less than 2 percent. The United States continued to be the principal supplier. German imports of U. S. tobacco, however, declined slightly--from 64.4 million pounds in 1957 to 62.4 million in 1958. The U. S. share in the German market dropped from 38.2 percent in 1957 to 36.4 percent last year. Imports of oriental tobacco in 1958--mainly from Greece, Turkey, and Bulgaria--totaled a little more than 60 million pounds, a slight gain from 1957. Purchases of leaf from the Rhodesian Federation and Canada, mainly flue-cured, were 7.1 million pounds in 1958, compared with 4.9 million in 1957. Imports from Italy, a member of the European Economic Community, increased to more than 6 million pounds last year from 5 million in 1957.

United States: U. S. imports of unmanufactured tobacco for consumption reached a record 138.6 million pounds in 1958, compared with the previous high of 124.1 million in 1957. Tobaccos imported into the United States consist largely of oriental-type cigarette leaf and cigar leaf for blending purposes. The United States is the world's third-largest tobacco importing country, ranking behind the United Kingdom and West Germany. U. S. imports have risen steadily over the past decade, reflecting increasing quantities of oriental leaf used in cigarettes and larger amounts of foreign-grown cigar filler and scrap going into cigars.

Netherlands: Gross imports (direct imports plus withdrawals from bond) of unmanufactured tobacco into the Netherlands in 1958 totaled 77 million pounds, compared with 72 million in 1957. The United States supplied nearly the same quantity in both years--about 25 million pounds--but the U. S. share in total imports dropped from 34.7 percent in 1957 to 32.5 percent in 1958. Other major sources of imports included Indonesia, Brazil, the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland, Greece, Turkey, and Italy. Imports from all of these countries last year, with the exception of Turkey, were larger than in 1957.

France: French imports of unmanufactured tobacco totaled 69 million pounds in 1958--a little above those for 1957. Much larger purchases from Algeria--12.8 million pounds compared with only 6.2 million in 1957--more than offset drops in takings from a number of other countries. Greece ranked second to Algeria as a supplier last year, furnishing 10.1 million pounds. Imports from the United States, at 6.7 million pounds were 23 percent below those for 1957.

Belgium: Belgian imports of unmanufactured tobacco rose to 58 million pounds in 1958 from 56 million in 1957. Purchases from the United States dropped, amounting to only 17.4 million last year, compared with 19.1 million the previous year. They represented only 30 percent of the total, compared with 34 percent in 1957 and 41 percent in 1956. Manufacturers report that they must continue to seek substitutes for U. S. leaf to the maximum possible extent due to higher prices for U. S. tobaccos in comparison with other foreign growths. Imports from the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland, Italy, Greece, and India were larger in 1958 than in 1957.

Spain: Spanish imports of leaf tobacco totaled 56 million pounds in 1958--up 20 percent from 1957. Imports from the United States rose from 7.7 million pounds in 1957 to 8.0 million in 1958. The biggest increases, however, were in purchases from Brazil and the Philippines. These countries, combined, supplied a total of 38 million pounds of tobacco to the Spanish market last year, compared with 23 million in 1957.

Australia: Australian imports of tobacco dropped to 42.8 million pounds in 1958 from 45.5 million in 1957. The United States supplied 31.4 million pounds or 73 percent of the total last year, compared with 34.0 million pounds, equal to 75 percent in 1957. The Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland, which supplied 10.8 million pounds last year, was the second-ranking source of imports. The United States and the Federation, combined, furnished 98 percent of Australia's tobacco imports in 1958.

Switzerland: Swiss duty-paid imports of tobacco in 1958 at about 28 million pounds were 5 percent larger than in 1957. The U. S. share in the Swiss market was the same in both years--45 percent--but imports of U. S. tobacco rose from 12.0 million pounds in 1957 to 12.7 million last year. Major suppliers other than the United States included Brazil, Greece, Turkey, Italy, Indonesia, and the Dominican Republic.

Egypt: Egypt's imports (withdrawals from bond) of unmanufactured tobacco totaled about 26 million pounds in both 1957 and 1958. Imports from the United States, however, dropped from 8.8 million in 1957 to 7.3 million in 1958. On the other hand, there were larger imports from Mainland China, Bulgaria, Yugoslavia and Japan. Other major sources of Egypt's tobacco imports last year included Greece, Turkey, and India.

Denmark: Denmark's imports of unmanufactured tobacco in 1958 were 24.8 million pounds--2 percent less than in 1957. The United States remained the major supplier. But the U.S. share in the total dropped to 48.6 percent from 52.0 percent the previous year. Imports from Rhodesia-Nyasaland, India, and Canada rose considerably in 1958. Purchases from these countries were mainly flue-cured tobaccos. Takings of Indonesian leaf also rose substantially while those from Brazil, another major supplier, dropped.

Austria: Austrian tobacco imports were substantially lower in 1958 than in 1957--22 million pounds compared with more than 27 million. Purchases of U.S. leaf, at 7 million pounds, were above those for 1957, but well below 1956 takings. Imports from most other major suppliers last year--Greece, Turkey, Brazil, and Bulgaria--were below those for 1957. Purchases from India, however, were up substantially.

Imports for the countries reported in the accompanying table are consistently smaller than exports for a number of reasons: (1) some tobacco exports may appear twice in world exports, i.e., as exports from the country of growth and as reexports from the country of original destination; (2) Free World exports to Soviet bloc countries do not appear as imports into the "bloc" since reliable import figures for these countries are not available; (3) a number of countries whose imports materially exceed their exports are not included in the table.

As mentioned, data covering import and export trade for the Sino-Soviet bloc have not been included in the table. For most years since World War II, reliable data are not available for these countries. There is known to be considerable movement of tobacco from one bloc country to another--particularly flue-cured from Mainland China and oriental leaf from Bulgaria and Rumania to the bloc countries in Eastern Europe.

Imports of tobacco into the Free World from the Sino-Soviet bloc are not large in total. They consist mainly of Western European imports of Bulgarian oriental leaf and flue-cured from Mainland China. Free World exports to the Sino-Soviet bloc are considerably larger than imports from the bloc. These consist mainly of oriental leaf shipped from Greece and Turkey to the Soviet Union and bloc countries in Eastern Europe, together with low-quality flue-cured from India and Thailand to Mainland China and the Soviet Union.

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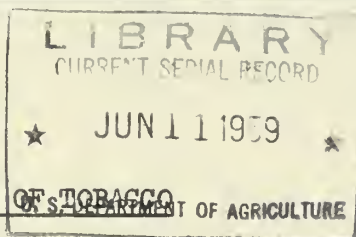
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TOBACCO
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May 29, 1959

ABOUT 207 MILLION POUNDS OF TOBACCO
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

PROGRAMED UNDER TITLE I, P.L. 480

Sale of approximately \$152.7 million worth of tobacco, or about 206.8 million pounds, had been provided for under Title I of Public Law 480 as of December 31, 1958. The total includes all agreements since the beginning of the Public Law 480 program in fiscal 1955.

Table 1. -- Tobacco: Sales agreements under Title I, Public Law 480 as of December 31, 1958 1/

Country	Estimated Quantity		Value
	Million pounds		Million dollars
Austria.....	7.3	:	4.8
Brazil.....	.3	:	.6
Burma.....	4.1	:	3.1
Chile.....	.4	:	.3
China (Taiwan).....	4.0	:	3.4
Colombia.....	.5	:	.5
Ecuador.....	.8	:	.7
Finland.....	19.8	:	12.3
France <u>2/</u>	11.1	:	6.6
Iceland <u>2/</u>.....	.8	:	.9
India.....	6.0	:	6.0
Indonesia.....	25.5	:	15.5
Israel.....	1.2	:	.8
Italy <u>2/</u>	19.3	:	14.9
Japan.....	9.8	:	7.8
Korea.....	8.5	:	6.7
Pakistan.....	5.8	:	4.9
Spain <u>2/</u>	15.6	:	11.5
Thailand.....	5.4	:	4.1
United Kingdom.....	52.9	:	38.0
Vietnam.....	7.7	:	5.8
Total.....	206.8	:	149.2

- 1/ Does not include agreements signed with Uruguay on February 20, 1959 and the United Arab Republic on May 5, 1958. The values are listed on Table 2.
2/ Since December 31, 1958, an additional agreement has been signed. The value is listed on Table 2.

Table 2. -- Tobacco: Authorized purchases under Title I, Public Law 480, signed but shipments not completed, as of April 30, 1959

Country	Value		Purchase Authorization	
	Million dollars	Number	End of contracting period	End of shipping period
Burma.....	1.0	33-13	May 30, 1959	June 30, 1959
Finland.....	2.9	18-20	September 30, 1959	December 31, 1959
France 1/.....	3/ 1.0	27-06	May 30, 1959	June 30, 1959
Iceland 1/.....	.4	40-26	November 30, 1959	December 31, 1959
India.....	2.7	39-14	May 30, 1959	June 30, 1959
Israel.....	.2	16-48	May 30, 1959	June 30, 1959
Italy 1/.....	3.0	20-29	May 30, 1959	June 30, 1959
Spain 1/.....	7.8	17-58	August 31, 1959	September 30, 1959
Spain 1/.....	1.0	17-64	August 31, 1959	September 30, 1959
Vietnam.....	5.8	45-01	May 30, 1959	June 30, 1959
United Arab Republic 2/...	9.0	--	--	--
Uruguay 1/.....	6.1	47-02	November 30, 1959	December 31, 1959

1/ Agreement signed after December 31, 1958.

2/ This agreement signed May 5, 1959; however, the purchase authorization had not been issued as of May 20, 1959.

3/ Total amount in agreement was \$3.5 million. Subsequent purchase authorization for the remainder will be issued in fiscal year 1960.

Table 3. -- Tobacco: Percentages by type exported under Public Law 480 as of December 31, 1959, compared with total tobacco exports for selected periods

Periods	Flue-cured	Burley	Dark-fired		All cigar	All other
			Ky.-Tenn.	Virginia		
1935-39 Average.....	74.4	2.5	11.6	2.2	.3	9.0
1947-51 Average.....	79.8	6.7	5.1	1.2	2.0	5.2
1954-55 Average.....	83.6	6.1	4.3	.8	1.1	4.1
1955-56 Average.....	85.0	5.2	4.0	.9	.8	4.1
1956-57 Average.....	82.2	5.7	4.7	.8	1.4	5.2
1957-58 Average.....	82.5	4.6	4.6	1.1	2.0	5.2
Public Law 480						
as of December 31,						
1958.....	81.3	9.3	7.2	.4	.5	1.3

Table 4. — Tobacco, Unmanufactured: U. S. exports under Public Law 480, by types and countries of destination, from the beginning of the program, January 1955 through December 31, 1958

Country	(Declared weight)																			
	Flue-cured	Burley	Dark-fired Ky.-Tenn.	Dark-fired Virginia	Maryland	Dark Air-cured	Cigar	Total	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
	Quantity : 1,000 : pounds :	Quantity : 1,000 : pounds :	Quantity : 1,000 : pounds :	Quantity : 1,000 : pounds :	Quantity : 1,000 : pounds :	Quantity : 1,000 : pounds :	Quantity : 1,000 : pounds :	Quantity : 1,000 : pounds :	Quantity : 1,000 : pounds :	Quantity : 1,000 : pounds :	Quantity : 1,000 : pounds :	Quantity : 1,000 : pounds :	Quantity : 1,000 : pounds :	Quantity : 1,000 : pounds :	Quantity : 1,000 : pounds :	Quantity : 1,000 : pounds :	Quantity : 1,000 : pounds :	Quantity : 1,000 : pounds :	Quantity : 1,000 : pounds :	Quantity : 1,000 : pounds :
	Value : dollars :	Value : dollars :	Value : dollars :	Value : dollars :	Value : dollars :	Value : dollars :	Value : dollars :	Value : dollars :	Value : dollars :	Value : dollars :	Value : dollars :	Value : dollars :	Value : dollars :	Value : dollars :	Value : dollars :	Value : dollars :	Value : dollars :	Value : dollars :	Value : dollars :	Value : dollars :
Austria.....	4,686	1,678	229	547	476		284	7,424	4,797											
Brazil.....																				
Burma.....	2,446						248	2,446	1,700											
Chile.....	271	52	1																	
China (Taiwan)...	4,000																			
Colombia 1/.....	303	187				15														
Ecuador.....	272	148																		
Finland.....	12,769	2,667	472	104	46															
France.....	3,222	2,650	6,946	157	124															
Iceland 1/.....	427	291	53			20														
India.....	4,076	5		14	11		5													
Indonesia.....	23,097	48	878	538																
Israel.....	847																			
Italy.....	6,436	4,871	3,750	2,896																
Japan.....	8,055	1,736																		
Korea.....	8,237	249																		
Pakistan.....	5,779																			
Spain.....	7,414	5,022	968	258		1,560	73													
Thailand.....	5,441																			
United Kingdom...	52,905																			
Vietnam.....	2,784	66	277	110		194	352													
Total.....	153,467	17,504	13,574	7,510	657	1,789	962	1,215	188,649	134,792										

1/ The value of the leaf content of tobacco products authorized to be sold to these countries was financed under Public Law 480.

Table 5. -- Tobacco, Unmanufactured: U. S. exports under Public Law 480,
by countries of destination, calendar years 1955-1958

Country	1955			1956			1957			1958			Total	
	Million : Pounds	Million : Dollars	Million : Pounds	Million : Dollars	Million : Pounds	Million : Dollars	Million : Pounds	Million : Dollars	Million : Pounds	Million : Dollars	Million : Pounds	Million : Dollars	Million : Pounds	Million : Dollars
Austria.....	.7	.5	4.9	3.0	.3	.3	1.5	1.0	7.4	4.8				
Brazil.....	.0	.0	.1	.2	.0	.0	.1	.3	.2	.5				
Burma.....	.0	.0	.7	.5	1.4	.7	.4	.2	2.5	1.4				
Chile.....	.0	.0	.2	.2	.1	.1	.0	.0	.3	.3				
China (Taiwan)...	.0	.0	1.5	1.3	.5	.4	2.0	1.7	4.0	3.4				
Colombia 1/.....	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.5	.6	.5	.6				
Ecuador.....	.0	.0	.3	.2	.1	.1	.1	.1	.5	.4				
Finland.....	3.9	2.2	5.4	3.0	2.1	1.2	5.1	2.6	16.5	9.0				
France.....	.9	.7	.0	.0	3.1	1.4	6.8	4.5	10.8	6.6				
Iceland 1/.....	.0	.0	.0	.0	.4	.3	.4	.4	.8	.7				
India.....	.0	.0	.0	.0	1.1	1.2	3.0	2.8	4.1	4.0				
Indonesia.....	.0	.0	13.6	7.2	10.0	7.0	.5	.4	24.1	14.6				
Israel.....	.3	.2	.3	.2	2/	2/	.2	.1	.8	.5				
Italy.....	3.6	2.8	3.3	2.6	4.4	3.9	3.8	3.0	15.1	12.3				
Japan.....	6.6	5.1	3.2	2.7	.0	.0	.0	.0	9.8	7.8				
Korea.....	.0	.0	6.1	4.6	2.4	2.1	.0	.0	8.5	6.7				
Pakistan.....	1.6	1.3	2.4	2.0	1.7	1.5	.0	.0	5.7	4.8				
Spain.....	1.2	.9	4.9	3.3	2.5	2.0	6.4	5.3	15.0	11.5				
Thailand.....	2.6	2.0	.0	.0	2.4	1.8	.4	.3	5.4	4.1				
United Kingdom..	22.4	15.7	24.2	17.5	3.2	2.6	3.1	2.4	52.9	38.2				
Vietnam.....	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	3.7	2.6	3.7	2.6				
Total.....	43.8	31.4	71.1	48.5	35.7	26.6	38.0	28.3	188.6	134.8				

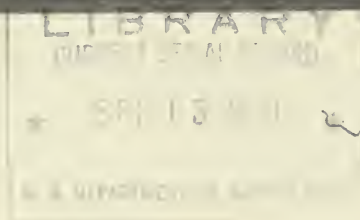
1/ The value of the leaf content of tobacco products authorized to be sold to these countries was financed under Public Law 480.

2/ Less than 50,000.

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TOBACCO HARVEST IN SECOND HALF

OF 1959 UP SLIGHTLY FROM 1958

The total tobacco crop for harvest in the second half of 1959 in specified countries is estimated at 6.09 billion pounds. This is 110 million pounds above 1958 production but a little below 1957.

The greatest declines in 1959 production are in Japan, Turkey, Greece, and Canada. They are more than offset by increases in the United States, France, Italy, and Yugoslavia.

Forecast by Areas

North America: Leaf production in Canada, the United States, and Puerto Rico is estimated at a total of 2,075 million pounds, up 6 percent from the 1,960 million in 1958. The 1959 estimate is 12 percent above 1957.

The U. S. 1959 crop of all types is now estimated at 1,864 million pounds, compared with 1,736 million in 1958 and 1,668 million in 1957. The 1950-54 average production was 2,184 million pounds. The Puerto Rican crop is estimated at 26 million pounds, down a little from 1958. Canadian leaf production is estimated at 186 million, down 6 percent from the 197 million pounds in 1958.

Europe: Western Europe's total crop is estimated at 581 million pounds, about 2 percent below the 591 million harvested in 1958 but well above the 1950-54 average.

One of the most important changes from last year is a drop in Greece where production may fall to 174 million pounds, compared with 186 million in 1958 and the record harvest of 242 million in 1957.

Estimated 1959 production of Yugoslav leaf tobacco is 110 million pounds--up 28 percent from the 86-million-pound-crop of 1958, but 21 percent below 1957. Production in other Eastern European countries is expected to be about the same as 1958, with the exception of Poland, which is likely to have a crop about 20 percent larger than last year's.

Africa: Tobacco crops in Algeria, Morocco, and Tunisia are estimated at about the same as 1958. Algeria, the principal producing country in Northern Africa, may have a crop equal to less than one-half the 1950-54 average.

Asia: Production for harvest during the last half of calendar year 1959 in Cyprus and Iraq is expected to be about the same as in 1958. Lebanon's crop, however, is about double the 1950-54 average.

Korean 1959 production is estimated at 67 million pounds--the same as for 1958--but about 14 percent above 1957 and 35 percent larger than the 1950-54 average.

The 1959 estimate for Japan is 280 million pounds, compared with 306 million in 1958, 322 million in 1957, and a 1950-54 average of 219 million. Little information is available concerning Mainland China. It is likely that 1959 production will approximate last year's.

Forecast by Types

Flue-cured: Flue-cured tobacco for harvest during the last half of 1959 is estimated at 2,312 million pounds, an increase of 2 percent from 1958 and 10 percent larger than the 1957 production.

Compared with 1958, Canada and Japan show decreases of 6 and 14 percent, respectively.

The U. S. crop of flue-cured in 1959 is estimated at 1,156 million pounds, about 7 percent above 1958 but 13 percent below the 1950-54 average. It is the third smallest crop since 1949.

LEAF TOBACCO: Estimated production by kind, harvested in the second half of calendar year 1959 with comparisons - farm sales weight 1/

Kinds	Average 1950-54	1957	1958 2/	1959 2/
	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.
Flue-cured.....	2,153,429	2,101,053	2,262,240	2,311,761
Burley.....	662,697	579,359	561,750	590,409
Other light air-cured..	82,939	79,908	70,542	76,749
Light sun-cured.....	598,989	662,829	622,335	630,645
Oriental and semi- oriental.....	803,756	1,231,143	1,061,432	1,052,356
Dark air-cured.....	1,243,870	1,243,203	1,185,192	1,200,289
Dark sun-cured.....	84,115	105,892	106,551	108,404
Fire-cured.....	111,472	102,982	99,484	108,765
Total.....	3/ 5,764,059	4/ 6,124,955	5/ 5,983,226	6/ 6,093,078

1/ Farm sales weight is about 10 percent above dry weight normally reported in export statistics. 2/ Preliminary. 3/ Includes the following quantities not identified by kind: East Germany, 16,520 thousand pounds; Libya, 1,466 thousand pounds; and Israel, 4,806 thousand pounds. 4/ Includes the following quantities not identified by kind: East Germany, 12,130 thousand pounds; Libya, 2,756 thousand pounds; and Israel, 3,700 thousand pounds. 5/ Includes the following quantities not identified by kind: East Germany, 10,000 thousand pounds and Israel, 3,700 thousand pounds. 6/ Includes the following quantities not identified by kind: East Germany, 10,000 thousand pounds and Israel, 3,700 thousand pounds.

Burley: Burley production for harvest in the last half of 1959 is estimated at 590 million pounds. This is 5 percent above 1958, but 11 percent below the 1950-54 average. The U. S. crop is now estimated at 488 million pounds, compared with 466 million in 1958. U. S. production this year is expected to be about 19 percent below the 1950-54 average of 600 million pounds.

Canada's Burley crop in 1959 is estimated at 11 million pounds, about the same as for 1958. The 1959 crops in Italy and Japan are estimated at 31 million and 13 million pounds, respectively. This represents increases of 31 percent and 16 percent, respectively, compared with last year.

Leaf tobacco: Estimated acreage, yield and production in specified countries, harvested in the second half of calendar year 1959, with comparisons - farm sales weight 1/

Continent and Country	Acreage harvested				Yield per acre				Production			
	Average	1957	1958 2/	1959 2/	Average	1957	1958 2/	1959 2/	Average	1957	1958 2/	1959 2/
	1950-54: acres	acres	acres	acres	1950-54: Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	1950-54: Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds
North America:												
Canada.....	109	136	134	132	1,353	1,205	1,471	1,408	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
United States.....	1,690	1,123	1,078	1,157	1,292	1,486	1,611	1,611	2,184,036	1,667,544	1,736,204	1,863,801
Continental.....	36	29	26	24	861	827	1,034	1,090	31,200	24,000	26,700	25,600
Puerto Rico.....	1,835	1,288	1,238	1,313	--	--	--	--	2,362,788	1,856,409	1,950,206	2,075,301
Total for countries shown....												
Europe:												
Austria.....	1	1	1	1	1,517	1,906	1,656	1,812	1,583	1,649	1,764	1,930
Belgium-Luxembourg.....	5	3	3	3	2,102	2,569	2,463	2,352	10,052	6,559	7,934	8,000
France.....	71	68	66	64	1,684	2,060	1,618	1,740	119,009	140,695	106,493	111,332
Germany, West.....	26	21	19	18	2,230	2,238	2,313	2,004	57,227	47,197	43,104	35,163
Greece.....	232	301	278	259	554	804	669	670	128,308	242,182	185,947	173,650
Italy.....	131	126	139	136	1,221	1,355	1,282	1,355	160,146	171,121	179,168	184,629
Spain.....	43	49	50	50	1,343	1,138	1,125	1,199	57,713	58,025	59,904	59,930
Sweden.....	1	3/	3/	3/	1,610	2,325	2,125	2,000	673	850	900	900
Switzerland.....	3	3	3	3	1,760	1,870	1,865	1,865	4,471	5,533	5,515	5,510
Total West Europe.....	513	572	559	534	--	--	--	--	539,182	673,891	590,679	580,944
Albania.....	5	--	--	--	1,000	--	--	--	5,000	--	--	--
Bulgaria.....	230	237	--	--	522	725	--	--	120,150	172,000	--	--
Czechoslovakia.....	22	--	--	--	933	--	--	--	20,282	--	--	--
Germany, East.....	17	10	--	--	972	1,234	--	--	4/	12,130	--	--
Hungary.....	55	65	--	--	848	1,242	--	--	46,477	80,690	--	--
Poland.....	54	76	91	--	1,254	1,342	1,209	--	67,500	102,000	110,000	--
Rumania.....	81	99	116	--	520	800	685	--	42,196	79,200	79,528	--
Yugoslavia.....	84	139	129	121	612	1,002	669	910	51,707	139,595	86,420	110,230
U.S.S.R. (Europe and Asia).....	528	520	520	520	913	962	962	962	482,000	500,000	500,000	500,000
Eastern Europe incl. U.S.S.R.:	1,076	1,174	1,183	1,193	--	--	--	--	851,832	1,112,615	571,023	551,088
Total Europe.....	1,599	1,746	1,742	1,727	--	--	--	--	1,391,014	1,786,506	1,614,529	1,619,702
Africa:												
Algeria.....	79	70	70	72	612	406	324	312	48,068	28,417	22,866	22,450
Libya.....	1	2	2	2	1,837	1,365	1,034	1,034	1,466	2,756	1,885	1,875
Morocco.....	4	4	4	4	1,099	1,350	1,551	1,552	5,020	4,673	5,979	6,067
Tunisia.....	3	4	4	6	908	875	832	707	2,643	3,500	3,514	3,951
Cameroon.....	5	10	10	10	575	446	446	446	2,775	4,409	4,409	4,409
Total for countries shown....	92	90	90	94	--	--	--	--	59,972	43,755	38,053	38,752
Asia:												
Cyprus.....	4	4	4	4	451	481	425	425	1,710	1,923	1,790	1,800
Iran.....	46	55	54	45	684	573	549	544	31,465	31,596	27,999	24,471
Iraq.....	16	19	22	22	868	638	801	800	13,555	11,574	17,637	17,630
Israel.....	6/	8	8	8	6/	463	463	460	4,806	3,700	3,700	3,700
Jordan.....	6/	9	9	9	6/	304	304	305	6/	3,688	3,688	3,700
Lebanon.....	6	10	10	10	637	807	726	726	4,127	7,716	6,944	7,000
Syria.....	18	17	17	17	763	779	866	887	13,945	13,170	15,035	15,080
Turkey (Europe and Asia).....	343	428	396	427	628	618	490	490	215,796	264,552	228,379	209,437
China, Mainland.....	1,418	1,840	1,890	1,895	984	935	896	897	1,396,000	1,720,000	1,693,000	1,700,000
Japan.....	146	179	167	158	1,504	1,797	1,833	1,767	219,495	322,147	305,621	279,865
Korea, South.....	45	52	54	54	1,086	1,133	1,236	1,236	49,386	58,289	66,645	66,640
Total for countries shown....	2,042	2,621	2,631	2,649	--	--	--	--	1,950,285	2,438,285	2,370,438	2,329,323
TOTAL FOR ALL COUNTRIES SHOWN....	5,258	5,745	5,701	5,703	--	--	--	--	5,764,059	6,124,955	5,983,226	6,093,078
1/ Farm sales weight is about 10 percent above dry weight which is normally reported in export statistics. 2/ Preliminary. 3/ Less than 500 acres. 4/ Less than 5-year average. 5/ Includes estimates for the above countries for which data are not available. 6/ Not available.												

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Other Light Air-cured: Production of other light air-cured for 1959 is estimated at 77 million pounds, up 9 percent from last year. Production of Maryland-type tobacco in Italy this year is estimated at 16 million pounds--an increase of 31 percent above 1958 and almost double the 1950-54 average. Japan's production in 1959 is placed at nearly 10 million pounds, compared with 8 million in 1958.

The U. S. crop of Maryland is placed at 32 million this year--just a little above 1958.

Light Sun-cured (Except Oriental and Semi-oriental): Production of this type of tobacco to be harvested the last half of 1959 is estimated at 631 million pounds, about 1 percent larger than in 1958, but 5 percent above the 1950-54 average.

The figures for Mainland China, the largest world producer of light sun-cured, are only rough estimates, as no reliable reports are available.

Oriental and Semi-oriental Tobacco: Production of oriental and semi-oriental tobacco for harvest the last half of 1959 is estimated at 1,052 million pounds. This is about 1 percent below 1958 and 15 percent below 1957, but 31 percent above the 1950-54 average.

Yugoslav production in 1959 is 103 million pounds, an increase of 31 percent, compared with 1958. It is more than double the 1950-54 average. Turkey's crop in 1959 is likely to be about 19 million pounds less than a year ago.

Dark Air-cured: Dark air-cured tobacco for harvest in the last half of 1959 is estimated at 1,200 million pounds. The prospective crop shows a slight increase above 1958, but is about 4 percent below the 1950-54 average.

U. S. cigar filler is estimated at 12 percent above last year and about 8 percent above the 1950-54 average. Production estimates of dark air-cured in other countries in 1959 indicate small increases in France and Tunisia. West Germany's 1959 production is estimated at 21 million, compared with 25 million in 1958 and an average of 35 million for 1950-54.

Dark Sun-cured: Dark sun-cured leaf for harvest in the last half of 1959 is estimated at 108 million pounds, about the same as 1957 and 1958, but about 24 million pounds above 1950-54 average.

Fire-cured: Fire-cured tobacco for harvest in the last half of 1959 is estimated at 109 million pounds, compared with 99 million in 1958, and 103 million in 1957. The 1950-54 average was 111 million.

An increase was noted in U. S. production of Kentucky-Tennessee fire-cured leaf, forecast at 42 million pounds compared with 34 million in 1958 and a 1950-54 average of 46 million pounds. Production in Italy decreased 18 percent in 1959 from a year ago and is about 35 percent below the average of 1950-54.

FLUE-CURED: Estimated acreage, yield and production in specified countries, harvested in the second half of calendar year 1959, with comparisons - farm sales weight 1/

Continent and Country	Acreage harvested				Yield per acre				Production			
	Average	1957	1958 2/	1959 2/	Average	1957	1958 2/	1959 2/	Average	1957	1958 2/	1959 2/
	1950-54	acres	acres	acres	1950-54	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	1950-54	pounds	pounds	pounds
North America:												
Canada.....	101	126	123	121	1,358	1,201	1,475	1,400	137,947	151,743	181,290	170,000
United States:												
Continental.....	1,048	663	639	698	1,270	1,471	1,690	1,656	1,332,386	975,001	1,081,035	1,155,720
Europe:												
Austria.....	3/	3/	3/	3/	1,128	1,430	1,429	1,400	44	53	77	40
Germany, West.....	4	5	3	3	1,650	1,199	1,210	1,136	7,065	5,860	3,977	3,086
Greece.....	--	3/	3/	3/	--	1,721	1,600	1,600	--	126	154	150
Italy.....	13	15	17	17	1,892	1,999	1,855	1,930	23,555	30,049	31,570	32,522
Spain.....	4/	3/	3/	3/	900	900	747	781	504	922	765	800
Sweden.....	1/	1/	1/	1/	1/	1/	1/	1/	34	50	50	50
Switzerland.....	1	1	1	1	1,758	1,874	1,875	1,875	1,788	2,210	2,210	2,200
Bulgaria.....	12	12	--	--	873	1,000	--	--	10,471	12,000	--	--
Hungary.....	9	13	--	--	849	1,055	--	--	13,717	13,717	--	--
Poland.....	27	44	45	--	1,019	1,051	1,100	--	27,500	46,259	49,500	--
Africa:												
Morocco.....	--	3/	3/	3/	--	955	992	992	--	14	20	20
Asia:												
Cyprus.....	3/	--	--	--	450	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Iraq.....	4	8	10	10	678	606	705	700	2,711	4,574	7,055	7,050
Jordan.....	4/	5	5	5	4/	473	473	470	4/	2,421	2,421	2,400
Turkey (Europe and Asia).....	1	1	1	1	768	650	650	650	930	1,000	1,000	1,000
China, Mainland.....	465	650	700	705	984	946	919	919	457,888	615,000	643,257	648,000
Japan.....	85	114	105	96	1,429	1,801	1,853	1,722	121,181	204,922	194,190	166,093
Korea, South.....	15	30	32	32	1,433	1,176	1,260	1,260	21,519	35,132	40,124	40,120
TOTAL ALL COUNTRIES SHOWN:	1,765	1,687 1/2	1,704 1/2	1,766	--	--	--	--	2,153,429	2,101,053	2,262,240	2,311,761

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LIGHT AIR-CURED BURLEY: Estimated acreage, yield and production in specified countries, harvested in the second half of calendar year 1959, with comparisons - farm sales weight 1/

Continent and Country	Acreage harvested				Yield per acre				Production			
	Average	1957	1958 2/	1959 2/	Average	1957	1958 2/	1959 2/	Average	1957	1958 2/	1959 2/
	1950-54	acres	acres	acres	1950-54	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	1950-54	pounds	pounds	pounds
North America:												
Canada.....	3	6	7	7	1,396	1,353	1,542	1,540	3,560	8,116	11,150	11,000
United States:												
Continental.....	434	307	297	301	1,383	1,592	1,567	1,623	599,846	488,111	465,528	488,415
Europe:												
Austria.....	1	1	1	1	1,493	1,992	1,654	1,793	1,287	1,319	1,411	1,530
Germany, West.....	6	6	6	5	2,285	2,344	2,500	2,039	13,119	14,800	14,012	10,582
Italy.....	6	9	10	12	2,397	2,716	2,287	2,677	14,768	25,573	23,986	31,362
Spain.....	12	22	22	22	1,334	1,112	1,123	1,223	15,873	24,705	24,705	24,700
Switzerland.....	1	1	1	1	1,760	1,462	1,470	1,470	894	950	950	950
Poland.....	--	4/	4/	--	--	4/	4/	--	--	199	159	--
Africa:												
Libya.....	--	4/	3/	3/	--	4/	2,615	2,615	--	--	531	530
Morocco.....	3	3	3	3	1,267	1,274	1,487	1,490	3,892	3,263	4,409	4,500
Asia:												
Iraq.....	6	4	4	4	868	605	882	880	5,422	2,426	3,527	3,530
Japan.....	2	5	6	7	1,730	1,981	1,791	2,018	4,036	10,095	11,382	13,150
TOTAL ALL COUNTRIES SHOWN:	474	364	357	363	--	--	--	--	662,697	579,359	561,750 1/2	590,409

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OTHER LIGHT AIR-CURED (Including Maryland): Estimated acreage, yield and production in specified countries, harvested in the second half of calendar year 1959, with comparisons - farm sales weight 1/

Continent and Country	Acreage harvested			Yield per acre			Production		
	Average 1950-54	1957	1958 2/	Average 1950-54	1957	1958 2/	Average 1950-54	1957	1958 2/
	acres	acres	acres	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds
North America:									
United States:									
Continental:									
Maryland.....	50	37	34	831	1,040	925	41,221	38,480	31,450
Europe:									
Germany, West.....	1	--	--	2,253	--	--	2,075	--	--
Italy:									
Maryland.....	4	4	5	2,523	2,991	2,600	9,114	12,522	12,456
Spain:									
Maryland.....	11	8	8	1,346	1,050	1,050	14,518	8,400	8,500
Switzerland.....	3/	4/	4/	1,800	4/	4/	45	73	55
Czechoslovakia.....	3/	--	--	800	--	--	1,000	--	--
Hungary:									
Maryland.....	7	7	6	848	1,500	1,471	6,042	10,493	8,827
Africa:									
Libya.....	4/	4/	3/	4/	4/	3,160	4/	4/	95
Asia:									
Japan.....	6	5	5	1,504	1,668	1,710	8,924	8,940	8,159
TOTAL ALL COUNTRIES SHOWN:	79 : 5/	62 : 5/	59 : 5/	--	--	--	82,939 : 5/	79,908 : 5/	70,542 : 5/

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LIGHT SUN-CURED: Estimated acreage, yield and production in specified countries, harvested in the second half of calendar year 1959, with comparisons - farm sales weight 1/

Continent and Country	Acreage harvested			Yield per acre			Production		
	Average 1950-54	1957	1958 2/	Average 1950-54	1957	1958 2/	Average 1950-54	1957	1958 2/
	acres	acres	acres	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds
Africa:									
Algeria.....	46	34	34	612	485	380	27,880	16,482	12,914
Asia:									
China, Mainland 5/.....	465	525	525	984	1,000	935	457,888	525,000	491,010
Japan.....	53	55	51	1,615	1,784	1,810	85,354	98,190	91,890
Korea, South:									
Native.....	30	22	22	915	1,074	1,203	27,867	23,157	26,521
TOTAL ALL COUNTRIES SHOWN:	594 : 636	632	632	--	--	--	598,989	662,829	622,335

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ORIENTAL AND SEMI-ORIENTAL: Estimated acreage, yield and production in specified countries, harvested
in the second half of calendar year 1959, with comparisons - farm sales weight 1/

Continent and Country	Acreage harvested			Yield per acre			Production		
	Average	1957	1958 2/	Average	1957	1958 2/	Average	1957	1958 2/
	1950-54 acres	1,000 acres	1,000 acres	1950-54 Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	1950-54 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds
Europe:									
Greece.....	232	301	278	554	803	670	128,308	242,056	185,793
Italy.....	62	60	64	726	778	750	45,032	46,429	47,554
Bulgaria.....	218	225	--	503	727	--	109,679	160,000	--
Czechoslovakia.....	7	--	--	700	--	--	4,750	--	--
Hungary.....	19	23	--	848	1,228	--	16,266	28,240	--
Poland.....	4	4	5	750	1,136	--	3,000	4,542	--
Rumania.....	76	85	104	475	849	--	36,109	72,200	--
Yugoslavia:									
Oriental (Prilep).....	50	106	97	598	944	900	29,661	100,750	81,728
Semi-oriental (Hercegovina)...	25	25	25	604	1,086	860	15,637	27,094	22,156
U.S.S.R. (Europe and Asia).....	249	254	254	615	913	913	154,000	232,000	232,000
Africa:									
Libya.....	4/	4/	1	4/	4/	450	4/	4/	45
Morocco.....	--	3/	3/	--	1,323	1,323	--	7	7
Asia:									
Cyprus:									
Latakia and Famigated.....	4	4	4	451	481	425	1,707	1,923	1,790
Iran:									
Cigarette.....	38	41	40	603	597	571	22,616	24,471	21,164
Iraq.....	6	7	8	868	693	880	5,422	4,574	7,055
Lebanon:									
Shak al Bent.....	3/	1	1	602	895	806	153	1,014	912
Latakia and Other 7/.....	6	8	8	646	781	703	3,885	6,234	5,610
Syria:									
Oriental.....	8	2	3	794	689	740	7,457	1,574	1,984
Semi-oriental and Hasen Kayf.....	9	14	14	635	782	888	5,719	10,983	12,665
Turkey.....	342	426	394	627	617	490	214,355	263,052	226,879
TOTAL ALL COUNTRIES SHOWN:	1,375	1,592	1,546	--	--	--	803,756	5/1,231,143	5/1,061,432

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DARK AIR-CURED: Estimated acreage, yield and production in specified countries, harvested in the second half of calendar year 1959, with comparisons - farm sales weight 1/

Continent and Country	Acreage harvested			Yield per acre			Production		
	Average	1958 2/	1959 2/	Average	1958 2/	1959 2/	Average	1958 2/	1959 2/
	1950-54 acres	1,000 acres	1,000 acres	1950-54 Pounds	1958 2/ Pounds	1959 2/ Pounds	1950-54 1,000 pounds	1958 2/ 1,000 pounds	1959 2/ 1,000 pounds
North America:									
Canada:									
Cigar.....	3	3	3	1,268	1,181	1,185	3,842	3,897	3,912
Other.....	2	1	1	1,177	978	1,206	2,203	1,109	950
United States:									
Continental:									
One Sucker.....	15	10	9	1,206	1,416	1,352	18,115	13,873	11,628
Green River.....	8	5	4	1,147	1,265	1,350	9,267	5,946	6,210
Cigar filler.....	36	33	36	1,558	1,403	1,667	55,651	45,752	60,000
Cigar binder.....	32	15	16	1,580	1,766	1,715	51,047	28,164	32,698
Cigar wrapper.....	13	13	14	1,162	1,442	1,326	15,272	18,887	17,950
Perique.....	3/	3/	3/	600	690	675	210	156	60
Puerto Rico.....	36	29	26	861	887	1,034	31,200	24,000	25,600
Europe:									
Austria.....	3/	3/	3/	1,762	1,659	1,744	252	277	360
Belgium-Luxembourg.....	5	3	3	2,102	2,569	2,463	10,052	6,559	8,000
France.....	71	68	66	1,684	2,060	1,618	119,009	140,695	111,332
Germany, West:									
Cigar-Havana	14	10	10	2,365	2,684	2,578	32,578	26,497	25,115
Guantanamo	1	--	--	2,532	--	--	2,390	--	--
Other.....									
Italy:									
Cigar.....	4	1	1	1,542	1,495	1,481	6,733	743	1,362
Other.....	15	19	21	1,404	1,410	1,440	21,160	26,109	29,118
Spain:									
Valencia and Santa Fe.....	19	18	18	1,360	1,253	1,270	25,837	23,183	23,500
Cigar.....	1	1	2	1,156	1,431	1,431	981	1,053	2,430
Sweden.....	4/	4/	4/	4/	4/	4/	383	530	475
Switzerland:									
Nostrano, Bronte, Monte.....	1	1	1	1,760	2,091	2,091	1,744	2,300	2,300
Albania.....	5	--	--	1,000	--	--	5,000	--	--
Czechoslovakia.....	15	--	--	969	--	--	14,532	--	--
Hungary.....	20	22	--	848	1,284	--	16,266	28,240	--
Poland.....	13	14	18	1,742	2,040	--	23,000	30,800	--
Romania.....	5	14	12	1,200	500	500	6,087	7,000	--
Rumania.....	9	8	7	676	1,535	1,104	6,409	11,751	7,680
Yugoslavia.....	264	244	244	1,200	1,024	1,024	313,000	250,000	250,000
U.S.S.R. (Europe and Asia):									
Mahorka.....	15	22	22	1,000	818	818	15,000	18,000	18,000
Cigar.....									
Africa:									
Algeria.....	31	35	36	612	325	254	19,227	11,367	9,000
Libya.....	4/	4/	1	4/	4/	2,147	4/	4/	1,200
Morocco:									
Snuff.....	4/	1	1	4/	1,580	1,752	821	1,367	1,080
Other.....	1	3/	3/	1,128	1,837	1,862	307	22	460
Tunisia:									
Arbi.....	2	4/	3	652	4/	533	1,421	2,300	2,718
Souff.....	1	1	1	1,672	4/	1,920	1,222	1,750	1,233
French Camerouns.....	9/	10	10	575	446	446	2,775	4,409	4,409
Asia:									
Iran:									
Tumbeki (water pipe).....	2	11	11	1,251	400	381	3,272	4,409	4,189
Jordan:									
Native.....	4/	4	4	4/	337	337	4/	1,187	1,200
Tombac.....	4/	3/	3/	4/	380	380	4/	80	100
Lebanon:									
Tombac.....	3/	3/	3/	420	1,036	933	89	468	420
Syria:									
Tombac.....	1	1	3/	811	1,066	955	769	613	380
Turkey (Europe and Asia).....	3/	1	1	250	250	250	511	500	500
China, Mainland.....	413	570	565	963	842	802	406,236	480,000	490,000
TOTAL ALL COUNTRIES SHOWN:	1,078	1,209	1,208	1,212	--	--	1,243,870	1,243,803	1,243,803

See footnotes at end of circular.

DARK SUN-CURED: Estimated acreage, yield and production in specified countries, harvested in the second half of calendar year 1959, with comparisons - farm sales weight 1/

Continent and Country	Acreage harvested			Yield per acre			Production		
	Average 1950-54	1957	1958 2/	Average 1950-54	1957	1958 2/	Average 1950-54	1957	1958 2/
	1,000 acres	1,000 acres	1,000 acres	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds
North America:									
United States:									
Continental.....	4	3	2	1,003	1,030	1,170	3,589	2,678	1,872
Africa:									
Algeria.....	2	1	1	612	400	400	961	568	445
Asia:									
Iran:									
Pipe.....	6	3	3	889	882	882	5,577	2,646	2,646
China, Mainland.....	75	95	95	986	1,053	1,069	73,988	100,000	101,588
TOTAL ALL COUNTRIES SHOWN:	87	102	101	--	--	--	84,115	105,892	106,551

See footnotes at end of circular.

FIRE-CURED: Estimated acreage, yield and production in specified countries, harvested in the second half of calendar year 1959, with comparisons - farm sales weight 1/

Continent and Country	Acreage harvested			Yield per acre			Production		
	Average 1950-54	1957	1958 2/	Average 1950-54	1957	1958 2/	Average 1950-54	1957	1958 2/
	1,000 acres	1,000 acres	1,000 acres	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds
North America:									
United States:									
Continental:									
Virginia.....	10	7	7	1,178	1,245	1,385	11,659	8,590	9,418
Kentucky-Tennessee.....	40	29	24	1,144	1,411	1,393	45,773	41,906	33,854
Europe:									
Italy.....	27	19	21	1,450	1,564	1,469	39,784	29,696	31,812
Sweden.....	4/	4/	4/	4/	4/	4/	256	350	300
Poland.....	10	15	23	--	1,400	1,052	14,000	22,440	24,100
TOTAL ALL COUNTRIES SHOWN:	87	70	75	--	--	--	111,472	102,982	99,484

1/ Farm sales weight is about 10 percent above average dry weight, which is normally reported in export trade statistics. 2/ Preliminary. 3/ Less than 500 acres. 4/ Not available. 5/ Includes estimates for countries in Eastern Europe not shown. 6/ Includes some partially fire-cured. 7/ Includes some sun-cured that is partially fire-cured. 8/ Less than a 5-year average.

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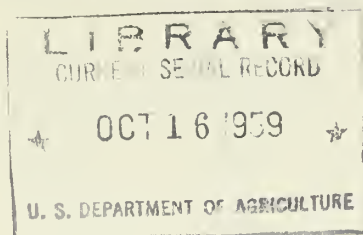
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SHARP RISE IN WORLD CIGARETTE

OUTPUT CONTINUES

Enough cigarettes were produced in the world in 1958 to make a carpet 7 feet wide and one cigarette thick from the earth to the moon.

The output totaled 1,971 billion pieces--85 billion pieces or 4.5 percent more than in 1957.

The gain was a continuation of the steady upward trend of cigarette manufacture in recent years. Nearly every country is sharing in this greater output since many small and underdeveloped countries have built factories within the last decade. Generally, only countries with a small population and labor force, and such basic industries as oil or mining, still do not manufacture cigarettes.

The rate of increase in cigarette output has been smaller in countries where tobacco industries have been well-established for some time. In less industrialized parts of the world output has increased at a faster rate.

The United States, with 470 billion pieces, led the world in cigarette production in 1958. This represented 23.8 percent of the world total. The next 10 largest producers were Mainland China, the Soviet Union, the United Kingdom, Japan, West Germany, Brazil, Italy, France, Poland, and Mexico. The second and third largest non-Communist cigarette manufacturers, the United Kingdom and Japan, showed slight gains over 1957 while West Germany, Brazil, India, Australia, and the Netherlands registered sharply rising output.

The Soviet bloc and Mainland China produced a total of 574 billion pieces in 1958, or 29 percent of the world total. Output in both Mainland China and the Soviet Union was over 200 billion pieces.

Cigarette manufacture has been increasing in some countries of Africa and Asia, which have begun to industrialize. Kenya, Ghana, French Equatorial Africa, and French West Africa now produce over 1 billion cigarettes annually compared with none 10 years ago.

Australia, Belgian Congo, Angola, Ethiopia, the Philippines, Pakistan, West Germany, Spain, Poland, Venezuela, British Guiana, and Canada all have more than doubled cigarette production in the last 10 years. Some of these countries were formerly extremely important cigarette importers.

Cigarette output showed small gains in 1958 in most South American countries which are important markets for U.S. cigarette exports. Morocco and Malaya, which together imported over 3 billion cigarettes in 1958, produced fewer cigarettes in 1958 compared with the 1951-55 average.

World cigarette production in 1959 is expected to easily exceed 2,000 billion pieces. The U.S. output is estimated at 485 billion pieces. The gradual rise in output in Western Europe is expected to continue while other world areas are likely to show even larger relative gains.

West Germany is increasing cigarette output faster than any other market for U.S. unmanufactured tobacco. U.S. cigarette output is now rising only about half as fast as the rest of the world.

CIGARETTES: Estimated output in specified countries,
average 1951-55, annual 1956-58

Continent and country	Average 1951-55	1956	1957	1958	Percent increase 1958 over 1951-55 average
	Million pieces	Million pieces	Million pieces	Million pieces	Percent
North America:					
United States.....	418,317	424,327	442,327	470,100	12.4
Canada.....	20,241	26,988	30,150	32,402	60.1
Mexico.....	29,173	34,860	35,700	37,338	28.0
Guatemala.....	1,615	1,717	1,706	1,724	6.7
El Salvador.....	783	885	990	1,005	28.4
Honduras.....	756	910	919	937	24.0
Nicaragua.....	739	840	880	904	22.3
Costa Rica.....	974	1,094	1,173	1,264	29.8
Panama, Republic of:	100	350	359	360	260.0
Cuba.....	8,949	9,539	9,785	10,196	13.9
Haiti.....	271	320	397	400	47.6
Dominican Republic:	868	910	908	989	13.9
Jamaica.....	549	670	723	724	31.9
Trinidad & Tobago:	658	787	714	744	13.1
Total North America:	483,993	504,197	526,731	559,087	15.5
South America:					
Colombia.....	11,896	12,600	14,189	13,500	13.5
Venezuela.....	2,705	3,392	3,539	3,984	47.3
British Guiana.....	270	376	744	755	179.6
Surinam.....	63	78	68	55	- 12.7
Ecuador.....	747	680	960	971	30.0
Peru.....	2,295	2,750	2,381	2,299	.2
Bolivia.....	461	428	415	420	- 8.9
Chile.....	5,313	5,740	4,793	5,580	5.0
Brazil.....	41,658	45,177	48,850	52,400	25.8
Paraguay.....	520	490	557	610	17.3
Uruguay.....	1,736	1,830	1,940	2,040	17.5
Argentina.....	21,486	22,450	21,934	22,058	2.7
Total South America:	89,150	95,991	100,370	104,672	17.4
Europe:					
Sweden.....	4,533	5,104	4,900	4,855	7.1
Norway.....	1,417	1,340	1,441	1,394	- 1.6
Denmark.....	3,833	3,933	4,134	4,500	17.4
United Kingdom.....	112,159	116,600	116,835	118,115	5.3
Ireland.....	5,988	5,604	5,480	5,070	- 15.3
Netherlands.....	10,004	12,310	12,752	13,457	34.5

Continent and country	Average				Percent increase
	1951-55	1956	1957	1958	1958 over 1951-55 average
	Million pieces	Million pieces	Million pieces	Million pieces	Percent
Europe (continued):					
Belgium-Luxembourg:	8,940	9,460	10,545	10,866	21.5
France.....	36,828	41,218	43,134	44,149	19.9
West Germany 2/...	40,154	52,450	57,580	62,152	54.8
Austria.....	6,900	7,946	8,249	8,553	24.0
Switzerland.....	7,716	8,729	8,996	9,624	24.7
Finland.....	5,243	5,812	5,317	5,240	.1
Spain.....	11,207	16,129	16,959	20,255	80.7
Portugal.....	3,646	4,430	4,412 :1/	4,425	21.4
Italy.....	36,481	41,315	43,467 :1/	44,505	22.0
Yugoslavia.....	14,223	16,191	17,568	17,732	24.7
Greece.....	10,051	10,461	10,567	10,699	6.4
Total Western Europe:	319,323	359,032	372,336	385,591	20.8
Asia:					
Turkey.....	20,463	26,416	26,560	26,650	30.2
Syria.....	1,658	1,903	1,841	1,850	11.6
Iran.....	5,848	6,750	6,615	6,115	4.6
Israel.....	2,017	2,123	2,218 :1/	2,300	14.0
Jordan.....	378 :1/	550 :1/	600 :1/	650	72.0
India.....	20,973	26,158	28,894 :1/	30,160	43.8
Pakistan.....	3,861	5,343	6,481	7,468	93.4
Ceylon.....	1,572	1,410 :1/	1,600 :1/	1,740	10.7
Burma.....	156	417	781 :1/	975	525.0
Thailand.....	7,166	8,453	8,520	8,466	18.1
S. Vietnam and Cambodia.....	7,082	6,850 :1/	7,150 :1/	7,280	2.8
Malaya, Fed. of...	1,372	1,567	1,235	1,308 :-	4.7
Indonesia.....	21,064 :1/	32,000 :1/	33,100 :1/	34,350	63.1
Philippines.....	12,698	15,562	16,337 :1/	16,900	33.1
Korea, Republic of:	10,507	12,849	13,125 :1/	13,400	27.5
Taiwan (Formosa)...	8,410	10,950	10,442 :1/	10,500	24.9
Japan.....	87,670	99,216	101,139	106,086	21.0
Total Asia.....	212,895	258,517	266,638	276,198	29.7
Oceania:					
Australia.....	8,264	13,365	14,900 :1/	15,700	90.0
New Zealand.....	2,197	2,150 :1/	2,450 :1/	2,700	22.9
Total Oceania.....	10,461	15,515	17,350	18,400	76.0

Continent and country	Average				Percent increase
	1951-55	1956	1957	1958	1958 over 1951-55 average
	Million pieces	Million pieces	Million pieces	Million pieces	Percent
Africa:					
Morocco.....	2,710	2,800	2,864	2,701	- .3
Algeria.....	9,443	8,250	8,670	9,033	- 4.3
Tunisia.....	1,746	1,775	2,188	2,270	30.0
Libya..... ^{3/}	248	640	631	624	151.6
Egypt.....	8,300	10,300	10,495	^{1/} 10,235	23.3
Canary Islands.....	121	755	^{1/} 765	^{1/} 770	536.4
French West Africa: ^{3/}	540	1,250	1,380	^{1/} 1,485	175.0
French Equatorial Africa.....	^{4/} 4	^{4/} 4	975	^{1/} 1,000	--
Ghana..... ^{3/}	140	840	^{1/} 920	^{1/} 985	603.6
Nigeria.....	2,112	2,650	2,188	^{1/} 2,440	15.5
Angola.....	590	779	810	^{1/} 830	40.7
Belgian Congo.....	2,228	3,232	4,045	4,400	97.5
Ethiopia.....	91	115	235	^{1/} 300	229.7
Mauritius.....	540	553	551	447	- 17.2
Mozambique.....	754	900	^{1/} 910	^{1/} 925	22.7
Union of South Africa.....	9,812	11,083	11,412	10,733	9.4
Uganda.....	2,760	1,730	1,419	1,458	- 47.2
Kenya.....	81	1,466	2,033	2,058	--
Madagascar.....	41	55	68	^{1/} 75	82.9
Total Africa.....	42,257	49,173	52,559	52,769	24.9
Total countries shown.....					
	1,158,079	1,282,425	1,335,984	1,396,717	20.6
Soviet bloc (including Communist China).....					
	^{1/}420,000	^{1/}526,000	^{1/}550,000	^{1/}574,000	36.7
GRAND TOTAL.....	1,578,079	1,808,425	1,885,984	1,970,717	24.9
^{1/} FAS estimates. ^{2/} Includes West Berlin and the Saar. ^{3/} Less than 5-year average. ^{4/} No manufacturing facilities.					



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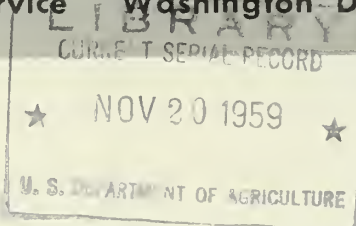
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ABOUT 247 MILLION POUNDS OF TOBACCO

PROGRAMED UNDER TITLE I, P.L. 480

Sale of approximately \$180.6 million worth of tobacco, or about 247.4 million pounds, has been provided for under Title I of Public Law 480 as of June 30, 1959. The total includes sales through 54 agreements with 23 countries since the beginning of the Public Law 480 program in 1954-55.

Table 1. -- Tobacco: Sales agreements under Title I, Public Law 480 as of June 30, 1959

Country	Estimated Quantity		Value	
	Million pounds		Million dollars	
Austria.....	7.4	:	4.8	
Brazil 1/.....	.3	:	.6	
Burma.....	3.6	:	2.8	
Chile.....	.3	:	.3	
China (Taiwan).....	7.1	:	6.0	
Colombia 1/.....	.5	:	.6	
Ecuador.....	.4	:	.7	
Finland.....	20.1	:	12.3	
France.....	16.5	:	10.0	
Iceland.....	1.2	:	1.3	
India.....	6.1	:	6.0	
Indonesia.....	24.4	:	14.3	
Israel.....	1.1	:	.7	
Italy.....	23.1	:	17.9	
Japan.....	9.8	:	7.8	
Korea.....	8.5	:	6.6	
Pakistan.....	5.8	:	4.8	
Spain.....	27.8	:	20.3	
Thailand.....	5.4	:	3.9	
United Arab Republic.....	10.6	:	9.0	
United Kingdom.....	52.9	:	38.0	
Uruguay.....	6.8	:	6.1	
Viet Nam 1/.....	7.7	:	5.8	
Total.....	247.4	:	180.6	

1/ Since June 30, 1959, an additional agreement has been signed. The value and estimated quantity are listed on Table 2.

Table 2. -- Tobacco: Title I, Public Law 480 agreements signed, but shipments not completed as of October 31, 1959

Country	Date Signed	Estimated Quantity	Value	Purchase Authorization			
				Million pounds	Million dollars	Number	End of Contracting Period
Brazil.....	9/21/59	.08	.16			28-20	November 30, 1959
Burma.....	5/27/58	.60	1.00			33-13	May 31, 1960
China (Taiwan)....	6/9/59	3.00	2.60			37-14	November 30, 1959
Colombia 1/ 2/.....	10/6/59	1.10	1.10				
Finland.....	12/30/58	4.00	2.85			18-20	September 30, 1959
France.....	3/21/59	3.30	2.50			27-07	May 30, 1960
Iceland 2/.....	3/3/59	.40	.40			40-26	November 30, 1959
Indonesia.....	3/2/56	.35	.22			34-24	November 30, 1959
United Arab Rep...:	5/5/59	10.60	9.00			46-10	November 30, 1959
Uruguay.....	2/20/59	6.75	6.20			47-02	November 30, 1959
Viet Nam 1/.....	10/16/59	7.80	4.70				

1/ The purchase authorization has not been issued as of October 31, 1959.
2/ Tobacco Products.

Table 3. -- Tobacco: Percentages by type exported under Public Law 480 as of June 30, 1959, compared with total tobacco exports for selected periods

Periods	Flue-cured	Burley	Dark-fired		All cigar	All other
			Ky.-Tenn.	Virginia		
1935-39 Average.....	74.4	2.5	11.6	2.2	.3	9.0
1947-51 Average.....	79.8	6.7	5.1	1.2	2.0	5.2
1954-55 Average.....	83.6	6.1	4.3	.8	1.1	4.1
1955-56 Average.....	85.0	5.2	4.0	.9	.8	4.1
1956-57 Average.....	82.2	5.7	4.7	.8	1.4	5.2
1957-58 Average.....	82.5	4.6	4.6	1.1	2.0	5.2
1958-59 Average.....	82.6	5.3	4.0	1.0	1.9	5.2
Public Law 480						
as of June 30,						
1959.....	80.0	9.9	7.3	.4	.9	1.5

Table 4. — Tobacco, Unmanufactured: U. S. exports under Public Law 480, by types and countries of destination, from the beginning of the program, January 1955 through June 30, 1959

Country	(Declared weight)												Total							
	Flue-cured			Burley			Dark-fired Ky.-Tenn.			Dark-fired Virginia				Maryland			Dark Air-cured			Cigar
	Quantity : 1,000 pounds	Value : dollars	Quantity : 1,000 pounds	Value : dollars	Quantity : 1,000 pounds	Value : dollars	Quantity : 1,000 pounds	Value : dollars	Quantity : 1,000 pounds	Value : dollars	Quantity : 1,000 pounds	Value : dollars	Quantity : 1,000 pounds	Value : dollars	Quantity : 1,000 pounds	Value : dollars	Quantity : 1,000 pounds	Value : dollars	Quantity : 1,000 pounds	Value : dollars
Austria	4,686	2,858	1,678	900	229	185	547	476	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	284	378	7,424	4,797
Brazil	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	248	557	248	557
Burma	2,482	1,730	9	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2,491	1,738
Chile	271	212	52	37	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	324	250
China, (Taiwan)	4,000	3,465	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4,000	3,465
Colombia 1/.....	304	342	187	211	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	15	17	—	—	—	—	—	506	570
Ecuador.....	272	211	148	118	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	420	329
Finland.....	13,628	7,348	2,680	1,620	499	147	104	46	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	17,372	9,381
France.....	3,222	2,650	635	519	8,522	4,243	157	124	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	12,536	7,536
Iceland 1/ ...	531	515	350	339	162	29	—	—	—	—	—	23	24	—	—	—	—	—	1,066	907
India	6,010	5,857	8	7	—	—	26	20	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	9	21	6,053	5,905
Indonesia.....	23,097	13,979	48	17	878	538	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	24,078	14,554
Israel.....	1,094	738	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	5	5	1,100	744
Italy.....	11,825	9,278	6,099	5,107	3,750	2,896	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	21,674	17,281
Japan.....	8,055	6,662	1,736	1,165	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	9,791	7,827
Korea.....	8,237	6,506	249	223	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	8,486	6,729
Pakistan.....	5,779	4,818	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5,779	4,818
Spain.....	9,944	8,305	6,345	5,334	968	258	—	—	—	—	—	2,110	964	—	—	—	73	121	19,455	14,986
Thailand(Siam)	5,441	4,047	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5,441	4,047
United Kingdom	52,905	38,074	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	52,905	38,074
Uruguay.....	1,590	1,477	293	276	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	1,884	1,754
Vietnam.....	6,223	4,585	412	376	367	133	—	—	—	—	—	717	278	—	—	—	1,208	476	8,927	5,848
Total.....	169,596	123,657	20,929	16,257	15,376	8,430	834	666	2,867	1,285	244	1,827	1,558	211,960	152,097					

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Table 5. Tobacco, Unmanufactured: U. S. exports under Public Law 480,
by countries of destination, fiscal years 1955 through 1959

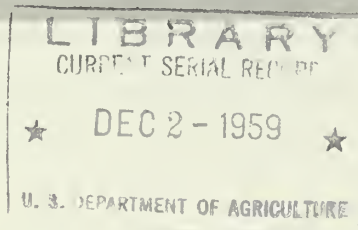
(Declared Weight)

Country	Fiscal 1955		Fiscal 1956		Fiscal 1957		Fiscal 1958		Fiscal 1959		Total	
	Million Pounds	Million Dollars	Million Pounds	Million Dollars	Million Pounds	Million Dollars	Million Pounds	Million Dollars	Million Pounds	Million Dollars	Million Pounds	Million Dollars
Austria	--	--	5.3	3.2	.3	.3	1.8	1.3	--	--	7.4	4.8
Brazil	--	--	.1	.2	--	--	--	--	.1	.3	.2	.5
Burma	--	--	--	--	1.1	.8	1.3	.9	.1	.1	2.5	1.7
Chile	--	--	--	--	.3	.2	--	--	--	--	.3	.2
China (Taiwan)....	--	--	--	--	2.0	1.7	--	--	2.0	1.7	4.0	3.4
Colombia 1/	--	--	--	--	--	--	.2	.1	.4	.5	.5	.6
Ecuador	--	--	.2	.2	.1	.1	.1	.1	--	--	.4	.4
Finland	--	--	3.9	2.2	5.8	3.2	2.0	1.0	5.7	2.9	17.4	9.4
France	--	--	.9	.7	3.1	1.4	4.5	2.5	4.1	3.0	12.6	7.6
Iceland 1/	--	--	--	--	--	--	.5	.5	.6	.4	1.1	.9
India	--	--	--	--	--	--	3.3	3.2	2.7	2.7	6.0	5.9
Indonesia	--	--	1.0	.7	18.1	10.5	5.0	3.4	--	--	24.1	14.6
Israel .....	.1	.1	.6	.4	--	--	.2	.1	.3	.2	1.2	.8
Italy	--	--	4.2	3.2	7.1	6.0	.6	.4	9.8	7.6	21.7	17.2
Japan	--	--	6.6	5.1	3.2	2.7	--	--	--	--	9.8	7.8
Korea	--	--	6.1	4.6	2.4	2.1	--	--	--	--	8.5	6.7
Pakistan .....	.6	.5	1.8	1.5	3.3	2.8	--	--	--	--	5.8	4.8
Spain	--	--	3.6	2.2	5.0	4.0	6.4	5.3	4.4	3.5	19.4	15.0
Thailand	--	--	2.6	2.0	.5	.4	2.3	1.7	--	--	5.4	4.1
United Kingdom....	4.7	3.4	41.9	29.6	--	--	6.3	5.0	--	--	52.9	38.0
Uruguay	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.9	1.8	1.9	1.8
Vietnam	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	8.9	5.9	8.9	5.9
Total....	5.4	4.0	78.8	55.8	52.3	36.2	34.5	25.5	41.0	30.6	212.0	152.1

1/ The value of the leaf content of tobacco products authorized to be sold to these countries was financed under Public Law 480.

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THE CANADIAN TOBACCO SITUATION

Canada is the third largest producer and the fourth largest exporter of flue-cured tobacco in the non-Communist world. Its 1959 flue-cured crop is expected to be 140 million pounds, compared with 181 million pounds in 1958. Canada also produces substantial amounts of Burley and cigar tobacco.

Ontario

Flue-cured: Much of the crop apparently was "set" early enough in late May and early June to mature in a normal season. The early season, although dry, was conducive to good quality. There was too much rain in early August, and 2 hailstorms badly hurt the Ontario crop. There was a killing frost September 16, which killed tobacco almost everywhere except the Port Elgin area on Lake Huron. The nearness of Lake Erie usually prevents frost in the southern part of the main flue-cured area, but severe damage occurred within about a mile of Port Stanley on the lake. Actual loss to growers varied greatly from farm to farm. Scarcity of labor resulted in omission of the second suckering, and this delayed maturing and harvesting. There was, consequently, wide variation among farms in the number of leaves which had been primed before the frost.

The official Canadian Government estimate is 135 million pounds for the 1959 Ontario flue-cured crop. Some Ontario growers feel that the final production figure may be higher than this estimate.

The hailstorms, crowding in the barns, and other factors perhaps have reduced the average quality of Ontario flue-cured. However, there seems to be less "green" than usual in the leaves observed in barns this year. Only 38 Ontario growers are reported to have used chemical sucker control in 1959, compared with about 80 percent of all growers applying such chemicals in 1958.

This circular is largely based upon observations of Albert B. Davis, Foreign Agricultural Service Tobacco Economist, during a firsthand study in the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec.

Burley: The 1959 crop is believed to contain a higher percentage of cigarette-type tobacco. Frost damage is estimated at 5 percent. There will probably be some "pole burn" from crowding so much tall (long) tobacco in the barns. Cool weather in the September 12 to 17 period (the last 4 or 5 days before frost) when much of the Burley was cut, is expected to reduce the average quality.

TOBACCO: Canadian acreage and estimated production, 1959

	Area	Production
	Acres	Million pounds
Flue-cured:		
Ontario.....	111,200	135.0
Quebec.....	5,400	5.0
Cigar:		
Quebec.....	4,100	5.0
Other dark air-cured (incl. Green River, pipe, and 400 acres aromatic pipe tobacco - 380,000 lbs.).....	1,200	1.4
Burley:		
Ontario.....	6,300	9.5
Quebec.....	1/ 21	Not available

1/ Experimental tests by members of the Cigar Growers Associations.

Quebec

Flue-cured: About 5 million pounds of flue-cured are expected from the 5,400 acres grown in Quebec Province in 1959. Quality appears to be somewhat better than in 1958. Some authorities in Quebec Province think that there is enough suitable soil for flue-cured to permit considerable expansion around Joliette, St. Thomas and in adjacent areas. Officials at the L'Assomption Experiment Station think that production can be increased to 15 million pounds in these areas.

Burley: In 1959 Burley was produced on 21 acres experimentally by cigar growers in the St. Jacques area. The experimental plantings are to be expanded in 1960.

Cigar Tobacco: An official of a cigar growers cooperative said there was a 25 percent increase in acreage and he expected a total of as much as 6 million pounds. They had kept the acreage down the past few years to reduce stocks. Quality was good but with the heavy crop (also too much rain in August), it was too early to tell how all of it would cure out.

Marketing

The Ontario flue-cured growers have now marketed 2 crops through their 3 new marketing warehouses in Tillsonburg, Delhi and Aylmer. Their new marketing plan includes the use of the "Dutch Clock" auction system. They have overcome many obstacles but face others ahead. In the past, the Ontario growers and buying companies negotiated a season's average price and the growers sold their tobacco to the buyers at the farms.

Quebec flue-cured growers last year set up an auction similar to that in Ontario. However, after 3 days 100 thousand pounds were sold, so it was discontinued. The buyers purchased the remainder of the crop directly at the farms as in the past.

The cigar tobacco growers in Canada (Quebec Province) have their own co-operative associations which control both the production and marketing. In addition to marketing their leaf, the cooperatives also produce a limited number of cigars.

Outlook

During the first 6 months of 1959 Canada exported 29.9 million pounds of flue-cured tobacco, compared with calendar year totals of 27.7 million pounds in 1958 and 35.7 in 1957. Canadian exports of flue-cured leaf during 1960 are expected to be less than in 1959 due to the smaller crop produced in 1959. It is likely that any drop in Canadian flue-cured exports, especially to the United Kingdom, will be filled mostly by U. S. and Rhodesian flue-cured.

Canadian production of flue-cured is expected to continue to increase because of the rise in population and the general upward trend in cigarette smoking in Canada. Exports of flue-cured are likely to continue to expand slowly, but the rising cost of migratory labor, and access to markets of the European Economic Community Common Market may be important in determining the level of exports.

Canada exported 1.7 million pounds of Burley the first 6 months of 1959 compared with 1.6 million pounds in the full year 1958 and 1.1 million pounds in all of 1957.

Consumption of Manufactured Tobacco Products

In June 1959, tax-paid withdrawals of cigarettes for consumption reached 3.2 billion cigarettes. This is 147 million more than the highest month in 1958 and establishes a record high month in Canadian cigarette production. Withdrawals of cigarettes for consumption in the first 6 months of 1959 were 16.9 billion pieces (a new high), compared with 16.0 billion for a similar period of 1958 and 15.3 billion in the first half of 1957.

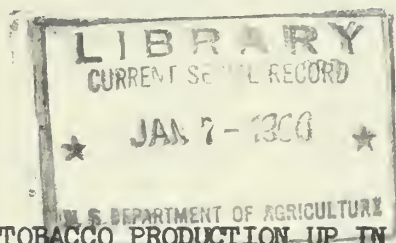
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WORLD TOBACCO PRODUCTION UP IN 1959

World tobacco production at 8,469 million pounds in 1959 was 1 percent larger than the 1958 world harvest of 8,354 million pounds. The 1959 crop, however, was 2 percent below the 1957 harvest of 8,657 million.

There were major increases this year in the United States, Yugoslavia, the Rhodesias and Nyasaland, India, and Turkey. Crops in the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland and in Turkey were at record levels. In the United States, an increase in planted area resulted in a crop of about 1,800 million pounds (November estimate, all tobaccos), compared with 1,736 million in 1958. Lesser increases for major producers were registered in Colombia, France, Italy, the Philippines, and Poland. These gains more than offset major decreases in Canada, Mexico, Brazil, Greece, and Japan.

Trends in Production by Kind: World tobaccos are grouped into 8 major categories--flue-cured, Burley, other light air-cured (including Maryland), light sun-cured (excluding oriental and semi-oriental), oriental and semi-oriental, dark air-cured, dark sun-cured, and fire-cured. The groupings are primarily on the basis of inherent characteristics due to genetics or breeding and the method of curing. These largely determine the uses of each particular kind of leaf. Production of light types of tobaccos (for cigarettes) has risen over a period of years while that of dark air-cured tobaccos has declined.

Flue-Cured: World production of flue-cured tobacco decreased in 1959 to 2,900 million pounds from the 2,911 million produced in 1958.

Flue-cured production in the United States, estimated at 1,080 million pounds, was just about the same as the 1958 crop of 1,081 million pounds.

TOBACCO: Estimated world production by kind of tobacco, harvested in calendar year 1959, with comparisons - farm sales weight 1/

Kinds	Average 1950-54	1957	1958 2/	1959 2/
	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds
Flue-cured.....	2,541,616	2,707,993	2,910,604	2,899,751
Burley.....	674,351	599,144	585,101	615,615
Other light air-cured:	102,670	99,620	98,511	103,130
Oriental and semi- oriental.....	818,084	1,250,465	1,108,666	1,174,235
Light sun-cured.....	739,465	809,874	759,533	759,385
Dark air-cured.....	1,998,748	2,096,343	1,923,591	1,910,023
Dark sun-cured.....	770,020	940,505	814,824	849,499
Fire-cured.....	142,581	138,296	141,556	145,765
Total.....	3/7,811,216	4/8,657,126	5/8,354,136	6/8,469,103

1/ Farm sales weight is about 10 percent above dry weight normally reported in manufacturing and export statistics.

2/ Preliminary.

3/ Includes the following quantities not identified by kind: East Germany, 16,520,000 pounds; Libya, 1,466,000 pounds; Belgian Congo, 4,604,000 pounds, and French Equatorial Africa, 1,091,000 pounds.

4/ Includes the following quantities not identified by kind: East Germany, 12,130,000 pounds; Libya, 2,756,000 pounds.

5/ Includes the following quantities not identified by kind: East Germany, 11,750,000 pounds.

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Canada's flue-cured crop dropped sharply from 181 million pounds in 1958 to 140 million in 1959 because of extremely severe weather. Production in the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland was a record 195 million pounds, compared with 156 million in 1958 and 149 million in 1957. Production of flue-cured in India jumped back to 121 million pounds in 1959 from 105 million in 1958.

Flue-cured production in Thailand rose 33 percent to 21 million pounds, while Venezuela's flue-cured crop was 10.2 million pounds, compared with 6.4 million in 1958. An increase of 2.4 million pounds this year for both Australia and Cuba raised their production to 13.9 and 4.0 million pounds, respectively. Decreases occurred in Brazil, Japan, and the Philippines.

Burley: Total world production of Burley tobacco in 1959 was 616 million pounds--a 5 percent increase over the 585 million grown in 1958.

Burley production in the United States in 1959 was 497 million pounds, compared with 466 million in 1958. Italy's Burley crop was 31 million pounds--up 29 percent from the 1958 crop of 24 million. Other significant changes were decreases of 3.4 million pounds in West Germany, 2.4 million in Canada, and 2.3 million in Cuba.

Other Light Air-Cured (including Maryland: Production of this type was up to 103 million pounds from 99 million in 1958. U. S. Maryland leaf production was up slightly, with the 1959 crop at 32.4 million pounds, compared with 31.5 million in 1958.

Italy increased production of Maryland leaf to 14.6 million pounds in 1959, compared with 12.5 million in both 1958 and 1957.

Madagascar produced 10.0 million pounds in 1959, compared with 8.1 million for 1958. Production in Spain was 4.9 million pounds in 1959--a little below the 1958 harvest.

Oriental and Semi-Oriental: Total world production of oriental and semi-oriental tobacco in 1959 was 1,174 million pounds, 6 percent above the 1958 crop of 1,109 million and 44 percent above the 1950-54 average of 818 million pounds.

Turkey produced a record crop of this type of tobacco--279 million pounds in 1959, compared with 227 million in 1958 and 263 million in 1957.

Production of oriental and semi-oriental tobacco in Yugoslavia was up from 78 million pounds in 1958 to 101 million in 1959. Continued increases in production were shown for Italy, Bulgaria, Lebanon, Syria, and Poland.

Greece continued on a downward trend in production--167 million pounds in 1959, compared with 186 million in 1958 and 242 million in 1957. Decreased production was also evident in Iran and Pakistan for 1959.

Light Sun-Cured: Production of this type was about the same as in 1958--759 million pounds. The major decrease was in Mexico--down 35 percent from 44 million pounds in 1958 to 29 million in 1959. Crop increases were reported by India--73.9 million pounds in 1959, compared with 67.2 in 1958, and Korea--26.5 million pounds in 1959 against 22.8 million in 1958.

LEAF TOBACCO: Estimated acreage, yield and production in specified countries harvested in calendar year 1959, with comparisons - farm sales weight 1/

Continent and Country	Acreage harvested			Yield per acre			Production		
	Average	1957	1958 2/	Average	1957	1958 2/	Average	1957	1958 2/
	1950-54	acres	acres	1950-54	Pounds	Pounds	1950-54	pounds	pounds
North America:									
Canada.....	109	136	134	1,353	1,205	1,471	1,216	164,865	197,302
Mexico.....	88	90	93	902	820	878	700	73,634	81,350
United States.....	1,690	1,122	1,078	1,292	1,479	1,611	1,557	2,184,036	1,736,204
Puerto Rico.....	36	26	24	861	1,035	1,089	1,048	31,200	29,600
Costa Rica.....	3	6	3	743	541	578	578	2,293	3,246
El Salvador.....	3	3	4	470	720	688	838	1,283	1,964
Guatemala.....	7	7	7	608	506	429	664	4,233	3,100
Honduras.....	14	12	13	507	665	456	674	7,150	7,907
Nicaragua.....	2	3	3	906	661	667	667	1,245	1,984
Panama.....	2	1	1	585	692	537	681	896	701
Cuba.....	145	149	148	562	775	782	760	81,755	115,424
Dominican Republic.....	47	55	60	867	831	644	605	41,124	45,683
Haiti.....	4	3/	3/	821	3/	3/	3/	3,080	1,500
Jamaica.....	2	3	2	753	411	688	700	1,156	1,100
Total North America.....	2,152	1,613	1,570	1,621	--	--	--	2,586,786	2,213,436
South America:									
Argentina.....	90	112	76	842	835	797	773	75,949	93,475
Bolivia.....	3	3	3	734	700	700	700	2,310	2,100
Brazil.....	397	442	440	676	715	700	636	268,919	316,426
Chile.....	8	7	8	1,736	1,768	1,721	1,816	13,388	13,346
Colombia.....	50	54	56	986	1,535	1,487	1,519	49,559	82,893
Paraguay.....	18	13	13	952	1,017	962	962	16,944	13,227
Peru.....	8	8	7	935	1,121	1,100	1,100	7,560	8,770
Uruguay.....	1	1	1	1,012	900	595	880	1,665	660
Venezuela.....	13	7	5	913	1,890	1,592	1,581	11,502	12,963
Total South America.....	588	647	609	607	--	--	--	447,105	541,902
Europe:									
Austria.....	1	1	1	1,517	1,906	1,755	1,612	1,583	1,649
Belgium-Luxembourg.....	5	3	3	2,102	2,569	2,584	2,587	10,052	6,559
France.....	71	68	66	1,684	2,060	1,617	1,786	119,009	140,695
Germany, West.....	26	21	19	2,230	2,238	2,313	2,004	57,227	47,197
Greece.....	232	301	278	554	804	669	654	128,308	242,182
Italy.....	131	126	140	1,221	1,355	1,282	1,340	160,146	171,121
Spain.....	43	49	43	1,343	1,138	1,210	1,185	57,713	58,025
Sweden.....	1	4/	4/	1,610	2,325	2,125	2,000	673	930
Switzerland.....	3	3	3	1,760	1,870	1,891	1,720	4,471	5,533
Total West Europe.....	513	572	553	522	--	--	--	539,182	673,691
Total Europe.....									
Albania.....	5	--	--	1,000	--	--	--	5,000	--
Bulgaria.....	230	232	264	522	740	684	--	120,150	180,555
Czechoslovakia.....	22	--	--	933	--	--	--	20,282	--
Germany, East.....	17	10	10	972	1,234	1,175	1,170 5/	16,520	12,130
Hungary.....	55	55	50	848	1,467	1,358	80,690	46,477	67,902
Poland.....	54	76	91	1,088	1,342	1,209	1,212	67,500	110,000
Romania.....	81	99	116	520	802	665	--	42,196	79,365
Yugoslavia.....	84	140	128	612	1,000	672	877	51,707	86,354
U.S.S.R.	528	520	520	913	962	962	918	482,000	500,000
Total East Europe including U.S.S.R.:	1,076 6/	1,160 16/	1,208 16/	1,205 6/	--	--	--	851,832 6/	911,780 6/
Total Europe.....	1,593	1,732	1,761	1,727	--	--	--	1,391,014	1,736,571
								1,043,740	1,532,659

Africa:												
Algeria.....	79	51	43	43	612	638	579	475	48,068	32,547	24,910	22,450
Libya.....	1	2	2	2	1,300	1,365	1,054	1,034	1,466	2,756	1,885	1,875
Morocco.....	4	4	4	4	1,099	1,350	1,551	1,552	5,020	4,673	6,261	6,733
Tunisia.....	3	4	4	4	908	871	832	707	2,643	3,483	3,514	3,951
Angola.....	3	7	8	8	5/	461	440	550	1,015	3,306	3,527	4,400
Belgian Congo and Ruanda Urundi.....	9	9	9	10	515	644	892	915	4,604	5,732	8,157	8,818
Camerouns.....	5	10	10	10	5/	446	446	446	2,775	4,409	4,409	4,409
French Equatorial Africa.....	3/	7	6	7	3/	700	515	583	1,091	3,968	3,307	3,748
Kenya.....	1	1	1	1	721	700	700	700	564	600	600	600
Mauritius.....	1	1	1	1	1,435	1,241	1,164	1,094	983	892	966	1,213
Madagascar.....	19	19	19	19	504	582	501	605	9,820	11,052	9,524	11,500
Mozambique.....	5	7	7	7	414	470	470	470	1,936	3,300	3,300	3,300
Nigeria.....	39	44	36	36	634	700	585	620	24,716	30,750	21,059	23,600
Rhodesia and Nyasaland.....	299	323	378	393	489	560	512	589	145,952	180,580	193,764	231,083
Tanganyika.....	15	15	15	17	306	332	390	385	4,591	4,984	5,855	6,539
Uganda.....	8	11	13	12	380	510	580	590	2,929	5,752	7,711	7,100
Union of South Africa.....	74	83	83	86	595	672	826	795	44,172	55,770	68,557	68,320
Total Africa.....	565	598	639	664	--	--	--	--	302,345	354,554	367,306	409,639
Asia:												
Cyprus.....	4	4	3	3	451	481	367	425	1,710	1,923	882	1,102
Iran.....	55	55	46	45	570	573	566	544	31,465	31,526	26,014	24,471
Iraq.....	21	19	19	24	645	592	597	505	13,555	11,250	11,947	12,125
Israel.....	3/	8	9	12	3/	485	364	372	4,806	3,880	3,241	4,409
Jordan.....	3/	9	6	9	3/	411	371	411	3/	3,688	2,028	3,700
Lebanon.....	6	10	10	10	637	807	692	781	4,127	7,716	6,623	7,716
Syria.....	18	17	17	22	763	779	836	808	13,945	13,170	14,539	17,535
Turkey (Europe and Asia).....	343	428	396	428	628	618	577	682	215,796	264,552	228,379	279,885
China, Mainland.....	5/	1,840	1,890	1,895	5/	984	896	897	5/1,396,000	1,720,000	1,693,000	1,700,000
Burma.....	129	138	137	140	795	781	778	775	102,258	107,780	107,072	108,416
Ceylon.....	14	15	15	15	510	580	527	527	7,018	8,700	7,900	7,900
China, Taiwan.....	15	24	23	23	1,363	1,722	1,643	1,652	20,034	41,303	38,558	38,000
India.....	849	1,029	872	896	670	640	609	658	568,516	658,560	530,640	588,880
Indonesia.....	345	434	455	455	421	396	334	325	145,322	172,168	152,117	147,708
Japan.....	146	179	167	153	1,504	1,797	1,833	1,874	219,495	322,147	305,621	286,382
Korea, South.....	45	53	52	54	1,086	1,107	1,192	1,236	49,386	58,289	61,510	66,640
Pakistan.....	180	232	199	208	948	1,009	1,095	1,038	170,320	234,000	218,000	216,000
Philippines.....	109	199	209	228	501	528	575	550	54,407	105,137	120,065	125,442
Thailand.....	96	144	150	148	362	378	385	412	34,793	54,440	57,805	60,915
Vietnam, Laos, Cambodia.....	32	43	43	43	648	721	721	721	20,350	31,000	31,000	31,000
Total Asia.....	3,825	4,880	4,718	4,793	--	--	--	--	3,073,303	3,851,229	3,616,941	3,728,226
Oceania:												
Australia.....	7	12	13	15	848	793	876	924	6,011	9,661	11,567	13,937
New Zealand.....	4	3	3	3	1,280	1,422	1,424	1,633	4,652	4,464	4,651	5,000
Total Oceania.....	11	15	16	18	--	--	--	--	10,663	14,125	16,218	18,937
Total World.....	8,730	9,485	9,313	9,430	--	--	--	--	7,811,216	8,657,126	8,354,136	8,469,103
1/ Farm sales weight is about 10 percent above dry weight which is normally reported in export statistics. 2/ Preliminary. 3/ Not available. 4/ Less than 500 acres. 5/ Less than a 5-year average. 6/ Includes estimates for countries in Eastern Europe for which data are not available.												

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Dark Air-Cured: Dark air-cured tobacco production in 1959, at 1,910 million pounds, was slightly below the 1958 production of 1,924 million. Production of U. S. cigar leaf was up substantially in 1959. Philippine output also was up significantly from 40.6 million pounds in 1958 to 60.4 million in 1959. France, Colombia, and Argentina also reported larger production.

Dark Sun-Cured: World production of dark sun-cured rose in 1959 to 849 million pounds from 815 million in 1958. Production rose in several of the major producing areas. India's output increased 36 million pounds--up 10 percent to 392 million pounds in 1959. Cuban production remained fairly stable. The Rhodesias-Nyasaland increased 1959 production 124 percent to 5.6 million pounds and Chile's crop rose 45 percent to 14.2 million pounds in 1959. Crops in most other countries remained fairly stable.

Fire-Cured: World production of fire-cured tobacco was a little larger, with 146 million pounds, compared with 142 million in 1958. Output increased slightly in all major-producing areas except Rhodesias-Nyasaland and Italy. In Italy, 1959 production dropped 6.7 million pounds to 25.1 million, while Rhodesias-Nyasaland production fell to 26.3 million pounds from 31.0 million in 1958.

FLUKE-CURED: Estimated acreage, yield and production in specified countries harvested in calendar year 1959, with comparisons - farm sales weight 1/

Continent and country	Acreage harvested			Yield per acre			Production		
	Average	1957	1958 2/	Average	1957	1958 2/	Average	1957	1958 2/
	1950-54	acres	acres	1950-54	Pounds	Pounds	1950-54	pounds	pounds
North America:									
Canada.....	101	126	123	1,358	1,201	1,475	1,37,947	151,743	181,290
Mexico.....	5	4	4	1,074	836	892	4,949	3,307	3,527
United States:									
Central America:	1,048	663	639	1,270	1,471	1,690	1,332,386	975,001	1,081,035
Costa Rica.....	2	3/	3/	345	500	580	145	205	187
El Salvador.....	1	2	2	412	742	709	874	1,266	1,350
Guatemala.....	1	1	1	802	696	696	891	600	600
Honduras.....	3/	1	1	495	591	925	1,156	440	736
Nicaragua.....	1	1	1	1,051	1,000	1,000	730	862	900
Caribbean:									
Cuba.....	--	2	2	--	786	762	918	1,572	1,600
Jamaica.....	4/	4/	1	4/	4/	1,250	41	50	50
South America:									
Argentina.....	13	32	21	990	760	1,008	13,104	24,339	21,164
Brazil.....	37	69	100	1,292	1,066	1,022	47,622	73,578	102,238
Chile.....	3/	1	1	1,324	1,314	1,487	608	740	843
Venezuela.....	6	5	4	1,139	1,785	1,544	6,217	8,157	6,391
Europe:									
Austria.....	3/	3/	3/	1,128	1,430	866	44	53	47
Germany, West.....	4	5	3	1,650	1,199	1,210	7,065	5,860	3,977
Greece.....	4/	3/	3/	4/	1,721	1,608	4/	126	154
Italy.....	13	15	17	1,852	1,999	1,855	23,555	30,049	31,570
Spain.....	4/	3/	3/	4/	900	850	504	922	783
Sweden.....	4/	4/	4/	4/	4/	4/	34	50	50
Switzerland.....	1	1	1	1,758	1,874	1,875	1,788	2,210	2,200
Bulgaria.....	12	12	12	873	1,000	1,010	10,471	12,000	12,125
Hungary.....	9	13	11	849	1,055	1,050	7,903	13,717	11,545
Poland.....	27	44	45	1,019	1,051	1,100	27,500	46,259	49,500
Africa:									
Morocco.....	--	3/	3/	--	955	992	882	14	20
Kenya.....	3/	4/	4/	631	4/	4/	183	300	300
Mauritius.....	1	1	1	1,306	1,122	1,040	616	688	691
Mozambique.....	5	6	6	410	500	500	1,872	3,000	3,000
Nigeria.....	3	6	1	574	400	400	1,492	330	315
Rhodesia and Nyasaland.....	198	190	214	592	781	730	116,993	148,584	156,016
Tanganyika.....	6	6	6	453	603	616	2,757	3,584	3,694
Uganda.....	2	4	4	301	410	728	467	1,545	2,980
Union of South Africa.....	31	43	43	600	579	757	18,553	24,900	32,584
Asia:									
Cyprus.....	3/	--	--	450	--	--	3	--	--
Iraq.....	5	8	8	540	563	597	2,711	4,500	4,779
Jordan.....	4/	5	5	4/	473	425	4/	2,421	1,819
Turkey.....	1	1	1	768	650	650	930	1,000	1,000
China, Mainland.....	465	650	700	984	946	919	457,888	615,000	643,257
Burma.....	1	5	6	810	502	579	486	2,500	3,472
Ceylon.....	3	7	7	475	514	500	1,520	3,600	3,500
Taiwan.....	15	24	23	1,363	1,722	1,643	20,034	41,303	38,558
India.....	162	190	173	628	664	609	101,860	130,000	105,280
Indonesia.....	25	94	103	453	318	322	11,399	29,960	33,087
Japan.....	85	114	105	1,429	1,801	1,853	121,181	204,922	194,190
Korea, South.....	15	30	31	1,433	1,176	1,258	21,519	35,132	36,673
Pakistan.....	4	11	17	988	954	997	3,800	10,500	17,000
Philippines.....	4	105	120	579	563	662	2,415	59,061	79,500
Thailand.....	52	56	42	343	303	378	17,873	16,962	15,917
Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia.....	1	1	1	567	1,000	1,000	340	1,000	1,000
Oceania:									
Australia.....	7	12	13	849	793	876	6,011	9,661	11,567
New Zealand.....	4	3	3	1,280	1,402	1,424	4,582	4,400	4,564
Total.....	2,376	2,564	2,622	5/ 2,721	--	--	2,511,616	2,707,993	2,910,654

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LIGHT AIR-CURED BUFLLEY: Estimated acreage, yield and production in specified countries harvested in calendar year 1959, with comparisons - farm sales weight 1/

Continent and country	Acreage harvested			Yield per acre			Production			
	Average	1957	1958 2/	1959 2/	Average	1957	1958 2/	1959 2/	1958 2/	1959 2/
	1950-54	1,000 acres	1,000 acres	1,000 acres	1950-54	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds
North America:										
Canada.....	3	6	7	6	1,396	1,353	1,642	1,507	8,116	9,539
Mexico.....	1	2	2	2	1,206	1,041	1,098	961	1,543	1,543
United States:										
Continental.....	434	306	297	301	1,383	1,592	1,567	1,653	488,111	497,495
Central America:										
Costa Rica.....	4/	3/	3/	3/	4/	400	592	596	1	30
El Salvador.....	3/	1	1	1	670	751	707	1,038	473	440
Guatemala.....	3/	1	1	1	721	813	829	1,176	525	733
Honduras.....	4/	3/	3/	3/	4/	918	978	4/	67	40
Nicaragua.....	3/	3/	3/	3/	750	800	800	800	160	160
Caribbean:										
Cuba.....	--	1	4	2	--	1,000	1,005	1,014	1,004	1,927
South America:										
Argentina.....	1	1	1	1	985	1,582	1,407	838	1,942	503
Brazil.....	3	4	5	5	918	786	750	794	3,142	3,968
Chile.....	3/	3/	1	3/	1,064	1,574	1,532	1,790	532	737
Venezuela.....	3	2	1	2	790	2,108	2,105	1,315	4,797	2,079
Europe:										
Austria.....	1	1	1	1	1,493	1,992	1,862	1,633	1,319	1,808
Germany, West.....	6	6	6	5	2,285	2,344	2,500	2,039	14,840	10,582
Italy.....	6	9	10	13	2,397	2,716	2,287	2,429	23,986	31,062
Spain.....	12	22	20	19	1,334	1,112	1,300	1,380	24,467	26,300
Switzerland.....	1	1	1	1	1,760	1,462	1,470	1,470	950	705
Poland.....	--	4/	4/	4/	--	4/	4/	4/	199	160
Africa:										
Libya.....	4/	4/	4/	4/	4/	4/	4/	4/	531	530
Morocco.....	3	3	3	3	1,267	1,274	1,552	1,713	4,700	4,850
Belgian Congo.....	4/	1	1	1	4/	892	893	892	882	1,102
Rhodesia and Nyasaland.....	3/	6	9	8	300	445	436	444	3,810	3,444
Union of South Africa.....	--	4/	4/	4/	--	4/	4/	4/	763	200
Asia:										
Iraq.....	8	4	4	4	680	563	597	606	2,250	2,425
India.....	3	4	4	4	624	500	500	500	2,000	2,000
Japan.....	2	5	6	6	1,730	1,981	1,791	1,856	11,382	11,153
Oceania:										
New Zealand.....	3/	4/	4/	4/	1,273	4/	4/	4/	64	100
Total.....	487	386	385	386	--	--	--	--	599,144	615,615

See footnotes at end of tables.

OTHER LIGHT AIR-CURED (INCLUDING MARYLAND): Estimated acreage, yield and production in specified countries, harvested in calendar year 1959, with comparisons - farm sales weight 1/

Continent and country	Acreage harvested			Yield per acre			Production				
	Average	1958	1959	Average	1958	1959	Average	1957	1958	1959	
	1950-54	acres	acres	1950-54	Pounds	Pounds	1950-54	pounds	pounds	pounds	
North America:											
United States:											
Continental:											
Maryland.....	50	37	34	831	850	925	41,221	31,450	31,450	32,375	
South America:											
Argentina:	1	3	1	900	700	723	450	79	434	302	
Maryland.....											
Europe:											
Germany, West.....	1	--	--	2,253	--	--	2,075	--	--	--	
Italy:	4	4	5	2,523	2,991	2,600	9,114	12,522	12,456	14,617	
Maryland.....											
Spain:	11	8	6	1,346	1,050	1,010	14,518	8,400	6,035	4,870	
Maryland.....	3	4	4	1,800	4	4	45	73	62	69	
Switzerland.....	3	--	--	800	--	--	1,000	--	--	--	
Czechoslovakia.....											
Hungary:	7	7	6	848	1,500	1,471	6,042	10,493	8,827	--	
Maryland.....											
Africa:											
Libya.....	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	95	100	
Angola.....	--	1	2	--	555	510	--	660	882	1,400	
French Equatorial Africa:											
Maryland.....	--	3	4	--	818	390	--	2,425	1,543	1,543	
Madagascar:											
Maryland.....	17	13	13	518	717	623	9,063	9,324	8,095	10,000	
Mauritius.....	3	3	3	1,715	1,925	1,600	367	204	296	522	
Nigeria.....	1	3	3	894	1,100	1,080	1,251	3,450	3,244	3,250	
Union of South Africa.....	4	4	4	4	4	4	4,000	5,600	9,433	9,100	
Asia:											
Japan.....	6	5	5	1,504	1,668	1,710	8,924	8,940	8,159	6,142	
Pakistan.....	6	6	6	759	633	1,083	4,600	5,000	6,500	7,000	
Total.....	104	88	86	--	--	--	102,670	99,620	96,511	103,130	

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ORIENTAL AND SEMI-ORIENTAL: Estimated acreage, yield and production in specified countries harvested in calendar year 1959, with comparisons - farm sales weight 1/

Continent and country	Acreage harvested			Yield per acre			Production		
	Average	1957	1958 2/	Average	1957	1958 2/	Average	1957	1958 2/
	1,000 acres	1,000 acres	1,000 acres	1950-54	Pounds	Pounds	1950-54	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds
South America:									
Argentina.....	--	2	1	--	446	540	--	1,120	324
Chile.....	--	--	4/	--	--	--	--	--	--
Europe:									
Greece.....	232	301	278	554	803	670	128,308	242,056	185,793
Italy.....	62	60	64	726	778	746	45,032	46,429	47,553
Yugoslavia:									
Oriental (Prilep).....	50	107	96	598	943	582	29,661	100,750	56,085
Semi-oriental (Hercegovina)	25	25	25	604	1,080	897	15,837	27,094	22,156
Bulgaria.....	218	220	252	503	727	668	109,679	160,000	168,430
Czechoslovakia.....	7	--	--	700	--	--	4,750	--	--
Hungary.....	19	19	19	848	1,486	1,250	16,266	28,240	23,765
Poland.....	4	4	5	750	1,136	1,088	3,000	4,542	5,441
Romania.....	76	85	104	475	851	684	36,109	72,365	71,160
U.S.S.R.	249	254	254	615	913	913	154,000	232,000	232,000
Africa:									
Libya.....	4/	4/	4/	4/	4/	4/	4/	4/	44
Rhodesia and Nyasaland.....	1	2	1	373	431	346	214	938	448
Union of South Africa.....	2	2	2	450	500	453	1,008	800	749
Asia:									
Cyprus:									
Latakia and Famigat.....	4	4	3	451	481	367	1,707	1,923	882
Iran:									
Cigarette.....	41	41	32	550	597	599	22,616	24,471	19,179
Iraq.....	8	7	8	680	643	597	5,422	4,500	4,779
Lebanon:									
Shak al Bent.....	3/	1	1	602	895	653	153	1,014	739
Latakia and other.....	6	8	8	646	781	667	3,885	6,234	5,320
Syria:									
Oriental.....	8	2	3	794	689	790	7,457	1,574	2,147
Semi-oriental.....	9	14	14	635	782	844	5,719	10,983	12,092
Turkey.....	342	426	394	627	617	576	214,355	263,052	226,879
Pakistan.....	11	14	16	769	892	969	8,300	12,500	15,500
Israel.....	4/	8	9	4/	485	364	4,806	3,880	3,241
Total.....	1,374	5/ 1,612	5/ 1,596	5/ 1,599	--	--	818,084	5/ 1,250,465	5/ 1,108,666
								5/ 1,174,235	

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LIGHT SUN-CURED: Estimated acreage, yield and production in specified countries, harvested in calendar year 1959, with comparisons - farm sales weight 1/

Continent and country	Acreage harvested			Yield per acre			Production					
	Average : 1950-54	1957	1958 2/	1959 2/	Average : 1950-54	1957	1958 2/	1959 2/	Average : 1950-54	1957	1958 2/	1959 2/
	1,000 : acres	1,000 : acres	1,000 : acres	1,000 : acres	Pounds : Pounds	Pounds : Pounds	Pounds : Pounds	Pounds : Pounds	1,000 : pounds	1,000 : pounds	1,000 : pounds	1,000 : pounds
North America:												
Mexico.....	40 :	42 :	44 :	44 :	1,101 :	897 :	991 :	659 :	44,489 :	37,699 :	44,092 :	28,660 :
Costa Rica.....	2 :	6 :	2 :	2 :	806 :	506 :	578 :	578 :	2,147 :	3,036 :	1,326 :	1,365 :
South America:												
Paraguay:												
Flojo.....	13 :	9 :	9 :	9 :	963 :	1,136 :	1,056 :	1,056 :	12,708 :	10,227 :	9,500 :	9,500 :
Africa:												
Algeria.....	46 :	30 :	25 :	25 :	612 :	629 :	578 :	520 :	27,880 :	18,877 :	14,450 :	13,000 :
Asia:												
China, Mainland.....	465 :	525 :	525 :	530 :	984 :	1,000 :	935 :	940 :	427,888 :	525,000 :	491,010 :	500,000 :
India.....	150 :	4/ :	4/ :	4/ :	488 :	4/ :	4/ :	4/ :	73,076 :	81,100 :	67,200 :	73,920 :
Japan.....	53 :	55 :	51 :	48 :	1,604 :	1,777 :	1,796 :	1,843 :	85,010 :	97,778 :	91,618 :	88,420 :
South Korea.....	30 :	23 :	21 :	22 :	915 :	1,017 :	1,094 :	1,203 :	27,867 :	23,157 :	26,520 :	26,520 :
Pakistan.....	10 :	16 :	17 :	18 :	840 :	813 :	1,029 :	1,000 :	8,400 :	13,000 :	17,500 :	18,000 :
Total.....	809 :	706 :	694 :	698 :	-- :	-- :	-- :	-- :	739,465 :	809,874 :	759,533 :	759,395 :

See footnotes at end of tables.

DARK AIR-CURED: Estimated acreage, yield and production in specified countries harvested in calendar year 1959, with comparisons - farm sales weight 1/

Continent and country	Acreage harvested			Yield per acre			Production		
	Average	1958 2/	1959 2/	Average	1958 2/	1959 2/	Average	1958 2/	1959 2/
	1950-54 acres	acres	acres	1950-54 Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	1950-54 Pounds	Pounds	Pounds
North America:									
Canada:									
Cigar.....	3	3	4	1,268	1,181	1,012	3,842	3,897	4,900
Green River.....	2	1	1	1,177	978	1,096	2,203	1,109	1,435
Other.....	42	42	44	681	740	750	28,640	31,085	31,967
Mexico.....									
United States:									
Continental:									
One Sucker.....	15	10	9	1,206	1,416	1,352	18,115	13,873	13,775
Green River.....	8	5	4	1,147	1,265	1,095	9,267	5,946	6,210
Cigar filler.....	36	33	36	1,558	1,384	1,619	55,651	45,822	62,200
Cigar binder.....	32	16	19	1,580	1,756	1,715	51,047	28,190	33,179
Cigar wrapper.....	13	13	13	1,162	1,437	1,286	15,272	18,830	18,302
Petique.....	3/	3/	3/	600	650	675	1,400	156	60
Puerto Rico.....	36	26	25	861	1,035	1,089	31,200	26,700	26,200
El Salvador (including cigar)	3/	3/	3/	788	578	578	2,598	225	300
Guatemala.....	6	5	3	588	433	400	3,649	2,125	1,500
Honduras:									
Copan.....	13	11	12	507	668	449	7,000	7,400	3,000
Micaragua:									
Chileague.....	1	2	2	725	460	425	435	862	840
Shade grown.....	4/	3/	3/	4	600	600	20	100	100
Panama.....	2	1	1	585	692	537	681	701	933
Dominican Republic:									
Criollo and Olor.....	47	55	50	867	831	644	41,124	45,683	30,250
Haiti.....	4	4/	4/	821	4/	4/	3,080	1,500	2,500
Jamaica:									
Cigar.....	1	1	1	800	800	800	1,017	1,084	1,050
Native Cow-tongue.....	3/	3/	3/	500	500	500	100	100	100
South America:									
Argentina:									
Native.....	65	66	44	827	863	700	53,754	56,973	36,032
Cigar (Bahia and Cuerva).....	7	9	6	733	696	720	4,780	6,266	2,445
Bolivia.....	3	3	3	734	700	700	2,310	2,100	2,100
Brazil:									
Bahia and other cigar.....	94	90	80	640	759	772	60,131	68,343	63,933
Twist.....	112	179	175	915	662	580	102,435	118,453	99,207
Other.....	151	100	80	367	521	486	55,606	52,910	21,770
Colombia:									
Native, Garcia and Cubita.....	42	48	51	995	1,506	1,473	41,666	72,311	79,366
Other dark.....	8	6	5	940	1,763	1,622	7,893	10,582	8,818
Paraguay:									
Fuerte.....	5	4	4	921	750	750	4,236	3,000	3,000
Peru.....	8	8	7	935	1,121	1,100	7,560	8,770	8,000
Uruguay.....	1	1	1	1,012	900	595	665	441	616
Venezuela.....	4	3/	3/	705	730	622	2,954	9	110

DARK SUB-CURED: Estimated acreage, yield and production in specified countries, harvested in calendar year 1959, with comparisons - farm sales weight 1/

Continent and Country	Acreage harvested			Yield per acre			Production		
	Average	1957	1958 2/	Average	1957	1958 2/	Average	1957	1958 2/
	1950-54	acres	acres	1950-54	Pounds	Pounds	1950-54	pounds	pounds
North America:									
United States:									
Continental:	4	1,000	1,000	3	1,003	1,030	1,000	1,000	1,000
Puerto Rico:									
Virgin Islands (including wrapper, binder and filler)	59	62	58		630	964	36,966	59,868	59,194
San-Vuella (filler)	10	6	10		407	578	4,000	3,569	5,398
Remedios (filler)	70	72	69		466	619	34,148	44,624	42,731
Partido (shade grown wrapper)	3	3	3	137	652	927	2,198	3,145	1,739
Oriente (cigarette and chewing)	3	3	2		1,320	775	4,443	1,642	1,501
South America:									
Chile:									
Paraguay:	5	5	6		2,050	1,791	10,249	8,077	9,866
Bavaria:	2	1	1		1,370	1,980	2,740	2,039	1,832
Africa:									
Algeria:	2	1	1		612	651	961	651	500
Mozambique:	2	1	1		175	200	340	300	450
Rodesia and Nyasaland:	8	10	11		540	322	4,503	3,040	2,509
Asia:									
India:	6	3	3		930	882	5,577	2,646	2,646
China, Mainland:	75	95	95		1,053	1,069	73,988	100,000	102,000
Burma:	128	133	131		794	792	102,772	105,280	103,600
India:	534	47	47		734	47	391,782	445,460	392,000
Pakistan:	62	110	70		928	1,091	1,123	120,000	61,500
Thailand:	44	88	108		383	426	16,920	37,478	41,888
Total:	1,035	596	571				770,020	940,205	849,192

See footnotes at end of tables.

FIRE-CURED: Estimated acreage, yield and production in specified countries, harvested in calendar year 1959, with comparisons - farm sales weight 1/

Continent and country	Acreage harvested			Yield per acre			Production		
	Average	1957	1958 2/	Average	1957	1958 2/	Average	1957	1958 2/
	1950-54	acres	acres	1950-54	Pounds	Pounds	1950-54	pounds	pounds
North America:									
United States:									
Continental:									
Virginia fire-cured:	10	7	7		1,178	1,245	11,659	8,590	9,418
Kentucky-Tennessee:	40	29	24		1,144	1,410	45,773	41,968	33,694
South America:									
Argentina:	3	2	2		935	1,252	3,130	2,756	2,183
Europe:									
Italy:	27	19	22		1,450	1,564	39,784	29,696	31,812
Sweden:	10	15	23		1,400	1,456	14,000	22,440	24,100
Africa:									
Rodesia and Nyasaland:	91	115	143		250	223	22,699	25,635	30,981
Tanganyika:	5	6	8		435	545	2,012	1,064	1,792
Asia:									
Ceylon (including chewing and snuff):	3	2	2		702	850	2,054	1,700	1,500
Pakistan:	1	1	2		900	1,176	1,294	900	2,800
Total:	189	186	233				142,341	132,286	141,556

- 1/ Farm sales weight is about 10 percent above dry weight, which is normally reported in export statistics.
 2/ Preliminary.
 3/ Less than 500 acres.
 4/ Not available.
 5/ Includes estimates for countries in Eastern Europe for which data are not shown.
 6/ Based on a 2-year average.
 7/ Breakdown not available.
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